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OF THE

# STATE OF MINNESOTA.

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The salary of the keeper of the state arsenal is four hun-

40 dred dollars per annum, in time of war, and one hundred

41 and fifty dollars per annum in time of peace.

The salary of each of the judges of the supreme court is

43 two thousand dollars per annum.

The salary of the clerk of the supreme court is six hun-

45 dred dollars per annum.

The salary of the reporter of the supreme court is five

47 hundred dollars per annum.

## TITLE II.

#### OF DISTRICT OFFICERS.

SECT. 2. The salary of each of each of the judges of the c.s.p. 477, Sect. 18. 2 district court is two thousand dollars per annum.

#### TITLE III.

- The county attorneys receive a salary of, not 1862-p. 80, sect. 7.
- .2 exceeding twelve hundred dollars per annum, to be fixed by
- 3 the board of county commissioners, and paid from the treas-
- 4 ury of the county.
- SECT. 4. The salary of the county auditor and county 1800-p. 64, Sect. 55, 2 superintendent of schools shall be fixed and determined by \$1804-p. 20, Sect. 3 the board of county commissioners, and paid from the county 9 combined.
- 4 treasury.

#### CHAPTER VIII.

#### COUNTIES AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

#### TITLE I.

#### TERRITORIAL DIVISIONS.

- Section 1. The state is divided into the following coun-2 ties: Aiken, Andy Johnson, Anoka, Becker, Benton, Big-
- 3 stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Carlton, Carver, Cass, Chippewa, 4 Chisago, Clay, Cottonwood, Crow Wing, Dakota, Dodge, 5 Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Henne-

- pin, Houston, Isanti, Itasca, Jackson, Kanabec, Kandiyo-

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7 hi, Lac qui Parle, Lake, Le Sueur, Lincoln, Manomin, 8 Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Monongalia, Morri-9 son, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Olmsted, Ottertail,

- 10 Pembina, Pine, Pipestone, Polk, Pope, Ramsey, Redwood, 11 Renville, Rice, Rock, Saint Louis, Scott, Sherburne, Sibley,
- 12 Stearns, Steele, Stevens, Todd, Traverse, Wabashaw, Wa-13 dena, Waseca, Washington, Watonwan, Winona, Wright.

Sect. 2. The county of Aiken is established and bound-

2 ed as follows: Beginning in the centre of the channel of 3 the Mississippi river at the point where the line between 4 townships forty-seven and forty-eight, north of the fourth 5 principal meridian, intersects the same; thence eastwardly 6 along said township line to the north east corner of township 7 forty-seven of range twenty-two; thence southwardly on 8 the line between ranges twenty-one and twenty-two to the 9 south east corner of township forty-three of range twenty-10 two; thence westwardly on the line between townships for-11 ty-two and forty-three to the south west corner of township 12 forty-three of range twenty-four; thence northwardly on 13 the line between ranges twenty-four and twenty-five to the 14 south west corner of township forty-four of range twenty-15 four; thence westwardly on the line between townships forty-16 three and forty-four to the south west corner of township 17 forty-four of range twenty-seven; thence northwardly on 18 the line between ranges twenty-seven and twenty-eight to 19 the centre of the channel of the Mississippi river; thence up 20 the centre of said channel to the place of beginning.

- The county of Andy Johnson is established 2 and bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the 3 channel of the Red River of the North, at the point where 4 the line between townships one hundred and thirty-six and 5 one hundred and thirty-seven north of the fifth principal 6 meridian, first intersects the same; thence eastwardly along said township line to the north east corner of township one 8 hundred and thirty-six of range forty-four; thence south-9 wardly on the line between ranges forty-three and forty-10 four to the south east corner of township one hundred and 11 thirty-seven of range forty-four; thence westwardly on the 12 line between townships one hundred and twenty-nine and 13 one hundred and thirty to the centre of the channel of the 14 Red River of the North; thence along the main channel of 15 said river, following the western boundary of the state, to 16 the place of beginning.
- SECT. 4. The county of Anoka is established and bound-2 ed as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of town-3-ship thirty-one of range twenty-two west of the fourth 4 principal meridian; thence west on the township line be-

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5 tween townships thirty and thirty-one to the centre of the 6 main channel of the Mississippi river; thence up the main c. s. p. 102, sect. 7 channel thereof to its intersection with the line between 200. 8 ranges twenty-five and twenty-six; thence north along said 9 range line to the north west corner of section thirty of 10 township thirty-four of range twenty-five; thence easterly 11 on the section line to the north east corner of section twen-12 ty-five of township thirty-four of range twenty-two; thence 13 southerly on the line between ranges twenty-one and twen-14 ty-two to the place of beginning.

Sect. 5. The county of Becker is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of 1802 4 31, sect. 1. 3 township one hundred and forty-two, range forty-three; 4 thence eastwardly along the line between townships one hundred and forty-two and one hundred and forty-three, to the northeast corner of township one hundred and fortytwo, range thirty-six; thence southwardly along the line between ranges thirty-five and thirty-six to the southeast 9 corner of township one hundred and thirty-eight, range 10 thirty-six; thence westwardly along the line between town-11 ships one hundred and thirty-seven and one hundred and 12 thirty-eight, to the southwest corner of township one hun-13 dred and thirty-eight, range forty-three; thence northward-14 ly along the line between ranges forty-three and forty-four, 15 to the place of beginning.

SECT. 6. The county of Benton is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the main c. s. p. 91, sect. channel of the Mississippi river at the point where the line 118. Special Laws between townships thirty-eight and thirty-nine north of the fourth principal meridian intersects the same; thence to and along said township line to the northwest corner of township thirty-eight of range twenty-eight; thence southerly on the line between ranges twenty-seven and twenty-eight to the south east corner of township thirty-six of range 10 twenty-eight; thence west on the township line between 11 townships thirty-five and thirty-six to the centre of the main 12 channel of the Mississippi river; thence up and along said 13 channel to the place of beginning.

SECT. 7. The county of Big Stone is established and 222- 1862-p. 257, Sect. 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the point where the line 1.
3 between townships one hundred and twenty-four and one 4 hundred and twenty-five north of the fifth principal merid-5 ian intersects the western boundary of the state; thence 6 eastwardly on said township line to the northeast corner of township one hundred and twenty-four of range forty-four; thence southerly on the line between ranges forty-three and 9. forty-four to its intersection with the channel of the Minne-

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- 10 sota river; thence up the main channel of said river to Big
- 11 Stone lake; thence through said lake and along the western
- 12 boundary of the state to the place of beginning.

C. S. D. 84, Sect. 65.

SECT. 8. The county of Blue Earth is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of 3 township one hundred and five north of range twenty-five 4 west from the fifth principal meridian; thence westerly 5 on the line between townships one hundred and four and 6 one hundred and five to the southwest corner of township 7 one hundred and five of range twenty-nine; thence norther-8 ly on the line between ranges twenty-nine and thirty to the 9 centre of the main channel of the Minnesota river; thence 10 down said main channel to its intersection with the section 11 line between sections thirteen and twenty-four of township 12 one hundred and nine of range twenty-seven; thence east 13 along the section lines to the northeast corner of section 14 twenty-four of township one hundred and nine of range 15 twenty-five; thence south on the range line between ranges 16 twenty-four and twenty-five to the place of beginning.

255, Sect. 1.

SECT. 9. The county of Brown is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the Minnessota river, and the range line between ranges twenty-nine and thirty; thence south on said line, to the township line between townships one hundred and seven and one hundred and eight; thence west on said line, to the range line between ranges thirty-three and thirty-four; thence north on said line, to the middle of the Minnesota river; thence south easterly along the middle of the main channel of the Minnesota river to the place of beginning.

The county of Carlton is established and

c. s. p. 99, Sect. 177.

SECT. 10.

- 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the north east corner of 3 township forty-nine north of range sixteen west from the 4 fourth principal meridian; thence south on the range line 5 between ranges fifteen and sixteen to its intersection with 6 the main channel of the Saint Louis river; thence along the 7 main channel of said river to the boundary line between 8 Minnesota and Wisconsin; thence south along said line be-9 tween Minnesota and Wisconsin to its intersection with the 10 township line between townships forty-five and forty-six; 11 thence westerly along said township line to the south-west 12 corner of township forty-six of range twenty-one; thence 13 north on the line between ranges twenty-one and twenty-14 two to the northwest corner of township forty-nine of range 15 twenty-one; thence easterly on the line between townships 16 forty-nine and fifty to the place of beginning.
  - 1 Sect. 11. The county of Carver is established and

2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the main 3 channel of the Minnesota river at its intersection with the 4 line between ranges twenty-four and twenty-five; thence c, s. 5, 86, Sect. 74; 5 north on said range line to the southeast corner of section c.s.p. 93, Sect. 183. c/ 6 thirteen of township one hundred and fourteen north of range twenty-five west from the fifth meridian; thence west on the section line to the southwest corner of section eighteen in said township; thence north on the west line of 10 said township to the northwest corner of said township; 11 thence west on the line between townships one hundred and 12 fourteen and one hundred and fifteen to the southwest cor-13 ner of township one hundred and fifteen of range twenty-14 six; thence north on the range line between ranges twenty-15 six and twenty-seven to the northwest corner of town one 16 hundred and seventeen of range twenty-six; thence east on 17 the line between townships one hundred and seventeen and 18 one hundred and eighteen to the northeast corner of town 19 one hundred and seventeen of range twenty-five; thence 20 south on the east line of said town to the southeast corner 21 thereof; thence east on the line between townships one hun-22 dred and sixteen and one hundred and seventeen to the 23 north east corner of town one hundred and sixteen of range 24 twenty-three; thence south on the line between ranges 25 twenty-two and twenty-three to the centre of the main 26 channel of the Minnesota river; thence up and along the 27 centre of said channel to the place of beginning.

SECT. 12. The county of Cass is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the main 3 channel of the Crow Wing river with the main channel 4 of the Mississippi river; thence up the centre of the 4 of the Mississippi river; thence up the centre of the c!
5 main channel of said Crow Wing river to its first inter-c.s.p. 88, Sect. 85; c /
6 section with the range line between ranges thirty-two c.s.p. 109, Sect. c /
7 and thirty-three west from the fifth principal meridian; c// c.3/
8 thorag porth on said range line to the north east corner of 8 thence north on said range line to the north east corner of 9 township one hundred and thirty-eight of range thirty-10 three; thence west on the line between townships one 11 hundred and thirty-eight and one hundred and thirty nine 12 to the south west corner of township one hundred and thirty-13 nine of range thirty-five; thence north on the line between 14 ranges thirty-five and thirty-six to the north west corner of 15 township one hundred and forty-two of range thirty-five; 16 thence easterly (on the line between townships one hundred 17 and forty-two and one hundred and forty-three to its inter-18 section with Itasca lake or the principal branch of the Mis-19 sissippi river,) thence down the main channel of said river 20 to the place of beginning.

SECT. 13. The county of Chippewa is established and 2 bounded as follows: Begining at the north west corner of

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2), c 1, 2 1862-p. 257, Sect. 2 3 township one hundred and twenty-two north of range forty
4 west from the fifth principal meridian; thence easterly on
5 the line between townships one hundred and twenty-two
6 and one hundred and twenty-three to the north east corner
7 of town one hundred and twenty-two of range thirty-seven;
8 thence southerly on the line between ranges thirty-six and
9 thirty-seven to the south east corner of town one hundred
10 and eighteen of range thirty-seven; thence westerly on the
11 line between townships one hundred and seventeen and one
12 hundred and eighteen to the south west corner of township
13 one hundred and eighteen of range forty; thence north14 wardly on the line between ranges forty and forty-one to
15 the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 75, Sect. 4; C. S. p. 95, Sect. 143.

The county of Chisago is established and SECT. 14. 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the 3 main channel of the Saint Croix river with the line between 4 townships thirty-two and thirty-three north on the fourth principal meridian; thence westerly on said township line to 6 the south west corner of township thirty-three of range 7 twenty-one; thence northerly on the line between ranges 8 twenty-one and twenty-two to the south east corner of town 9 thirty-six of range twenty-two; thence west on the south 10 line of said town to the south west corner thereof; thence 11 north on the line between ranges twenty-two and twenty-12 three to the north west corner of township thirty-seven of 13 range twenty-two; thence east on the line between town-14 ships thirty-seven and thirty-eight to the centre of the main 15 channel of the St. Criox river; thence down along the cen-16 tre of said channel to the place of beginning.

862-p. 262, Sect. 1.

Sect. 15. The county of Clay is established and bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the channel of the Red River of the North, at the first intersection of the line between townships one hundred and forty-two and one hundred and forty-three, with said channel; thence east-wardly along said township line to the north east corner of township one hundred and forty-two, range forty-four; thence southwardly on the line between ranges forty-three and forty-four, to the south east corner of township one hundred and thirty-seven, range forty-four; thence westwardly on the line between townships one hundred and thirty-six and one hundred and thirty-seven, to the centre of the channel of the Red River of the North; thence down the main the channel of said river, following the western boundary of the state, to the place of beginning.

1 Sect. 16. The county of Cottonwood is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of 3 township one hundred and five north of range thirty-four

4 west from the fifth principal meridian; thence north on the c. s. C. 101, Sect. 5 line between ranges thirty-three and thirty-four to the north is. east corner of town one hundred and eight, of range thirty-7 four; thence west on the line between townships one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine to the north-west 9 corner of town one hundred and eight, of range thirty-eight; 10 thence south on the line between ranges thirty-eight and 11 thirty-nine to the south west corner of town one hundred 12 and five, of range thirty-eight; thence east on the line be-13 tween towns one hundred and four and one hundred and 14 five, to the place of beginning.

SECT. 17. The county of Crow Wing is established and c.s. p. 91, Sect. 173; 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south-east corner of 3 town forty-three north, of range twenty-eight west of the 4 fourth principal meridian; thence north on the line between 5 ranges twenty-seven and twenty-eight to the centre of the 6 main channel of the Mississippi river; thence down along the centre of said channel to its intersection with the line between townships forty-two and forty-three; thence on said township line to the place of beginning.

SECT. 18. The county of Dakota is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the centre of the channel 3 of the Minnesota river opposite the mouth of Credit river; 5. ship one hundred and twelve of range twenty-one west from C.S.p. 84, Sect. 69; 6 the fifth meridian; thence south on the line between ranges c/7 twenty and twenty-one to the south west ranges. 4 thence on a straight line to the north east corner of town-7 twenty and twenty-one to the south west corner of section 8 thirty in town one hundred and twelve of range twenty; 9 thence east on the section lines to the south east corner of 10 section twenty-five in township one hundred and twelve of 11 range nineteen; thence north on the east line of said town-12 ship to its intersection with the main channel of Cannon 13 river; thence down along said channel to its intersection 14 with the line between ranges seventeen and eighteen; thence 15 north on said range line to the north west corner of town 16 one hundred and twelve of range seventeen; thence east on 17 the line between one hundred and twelve and one hun-18 dred and thirteen to the south east corner of town one 19 hundred and thirteen of range seventeen; thence north 20 on the east line of said town to the north east corner 21 thereof; thence east on the line between towns one hun-22 dred and thirteen and one hundred and fourteen to the 23 south east corner of section thirty-three in township one 24 hundred and fourteen of range sixteen; thence north on the 25 section line passing through the centre of said township to 26 its intersection with the main channel of the Mississippi 27 river; thence up along said channel to the mouth of the

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- 128 Minnesota river; thence up the centre of the channel of said
- 29 Minnesota river to the place of beginning.

C. s. p. 83, Sect. 62; C. s. p. 93, Sect. 132

1 Sect. 19. The county of Dodge is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of 3 township one hundred and five north of range sixteen west; 4 thence west on the line between townships one hundred and 5 four and one hundred and five to the south west corner of 6 township one hundred and five of range eighteen; thence 7 north on the line between ranges eighteen and nineteen to 8 the north west corner of town one hundred and eight of 9 range eighteen; thence east on the line between townships 10 one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine to the 11 north east corner of town one hundred and eight of range 12 sixteen, thence south on the line between ranges fifteen and 13 sixteen to the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 107, Sect.

Sect. 20. The county of Douglas is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the north east corner of township one hundred and thirty north of range thirty-six west from the fifth principal meridian; thence west on the line between townships one hundred and thirty and one hundred and thirty-one to the north west corner of township one hundred and thirty of range forty; thence south on the line between ranges forty and forty-one to the south west corner of town one hundred and twenty-seven of range forty; thence east on the line between towns one hundred and twenty-six and one hundred and twenty-seven to the south east corner of town one hundred and twenty-seven of range thirty-six; thence north on the line between ranges thirty-ty-five and thirty-six to the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 84, Sect. 66; C. S. p. 100, Sect.

- SECT. 21. The county of Faribault is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of 3 township one hundred and one north of range twenty-four 5 west; thence west on the boundary line between Minnesota 6 and Iowa to the south west corner of town one hundred and 7 one of range twenty-eight; thence north on the line between 8 ranges twenty-eight and twenty-nine to the northwest corner of town one hundred and four of range twenty-eight; 10 thence on the line between towns one hundred and four and 11 one hundred and five to the north east corner of town one 12 hundred and four of range twenty-four; thence south on 13 the line between ranges twenty-three and twenty-four to 14 the place of beginning.
  - 1 SECT. 22. The county of Fillmore is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of 3 township one hundred and one north of range eight west 4 from the fifth meridian; thence north on the line between

5 ranges seven and eight to the northeast corner of township 6 one hundred and four of range eight; thence west on the c.s. p. 81, Sect. 46; line between townships one hundred and four and one hun-c. s. p. 83, Sect. 61. dred and five to the northwest corner of township one hundred and four of range thirteen; thence south on the line

10 between ranges thirteen and fourteen to the southwest cor-11'ner of township one hundred and one of range thirteen;

12 thence east on the state boundary line to the place of be-13 ginning.

SECT. 23. The county of Freeborn is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of c.s. p. 83, sect. 64. 3 township one hundred and one, north, of range nineteen west of the fifth meridian; thence west on the state bound-5 ary line to the southwest corner of town one hundred and 6 one of range twenty-three; thence north on the line between ranges twenty-three and twenty-four to the northwest corner of township one hundred and four of range twenty-9 three; thence east on the line between townships one hun-10 dred and four and one hundred and five to the northeast 11 corner of town one hundred and four of range nineteen; 12 thence south on the line between ranges eighteen and nine-13 teen to the place of beginning.

SECT. 24. The county of Goodhue is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of 4 thence north on the range line between ranges eighteen and c.s. p. 87, Sect. 80.
5 nineteen to its intersection with the 3 township one hundred and nine north of range eighteen west; 5 nineteen to its intersection with the centre of the main 6 channel of Cannon river; thence down the middle of said channel to the line between ranges seventeen and eighteen; 8 thence north on said range line to the line between town-9 ships one hundred and twelve and one hundred and thir-10 teen; thence east on said line to the southwest corner of 11 township one hundred and thirteen of range sixteen; thence 12 north on the west line of said township to the northwest 13 corner thereof; thence east on the north line of said town-14 ship to the southwest corner of section thirty-four of town 15 one hundred and fourteen of range sixteen; thence north 16 along the section line to the middle of the main channel of 17 the Mississippi river; thence down the middle of said chan-18 nel and of Lake Pepin to a point due east of the termination 19 of the line between townships one hundred and eleven and 20 one hundred and twelve; thence to and along said line to 21 the northeast corner of township one hundred and eleven 22 of range fourteen; thence south upon the east line of said 23 town to the southeast corner thereof; thence west upon the 24 south line of said township to the southwest corner thereof; 25 thence south upon the line between ranges fourteen and 26 fifteen to the line between townships one hundred and eight

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27 and one hundred and nine; thence west upon said township 28 to the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 86, Sects, 74,

The county of Hennepin is established and SECT. 25. 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the main channel of the Mississippi river at its intersection with the 4 north line of township twenty-nine north of range twenty-5 four west from the fourth principal meridian; thence east 6 on said township line to the north east corner of section 7 six in township twenty-nine of range twenty-three; thence . 8 south on the section lines to the Mississippi river; thence 9 down said river in the western channel thereof to the centre 10 of the main channel of the Minnesota river; thence up the 11 centre of said channel to the line between ranges twenty-12 two and twenty three west from the fifth meridian; thence 13 north on said line to the north-west corner of town one 14 hundred and sixteen of range twenty-two; thence west on 15 the line between towns one hundred and sixteen and one 16 hundred and seventeen to the south west corner of town 17 one hundred and seventeen of range twenty-four; thence 18 north on the line between ranges twenty-four and twenty-19 five to the middle of the main channel of Crow river; thence 20 down along the middle of said channel to the middle of the 21 main channel of the Mississippi river; thence down the 22 middle of said channel to the place of beginning.

Sect. 26. The county of Houston is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the middle of the main channel of the Mississippi river on the line between Iowa .4 and Minnesota; thence west on the state boundary line to 5 the southwest corner of township one hundred and one of 6 range seven; thence north on the line between ranges seven .7 and eight to the northwest corner of town one hundred and 8 four of range seven; thence east on the line between town-9 ships one hundred and four and one hundred and five to 10 the middle of the main channel of the Mississippi river; 11 thence down the centre of said channel to the place of be-12 ginning.

C. S. p. 98, Sect. 175; C. S. p. 95, Sect. 143; Sp c 2 8 1861-p. 209.

The county of Isanti is established and SECT. 27. 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of c.s.p.90, Sect. 155; 3 section twenty-four in town thirty-four north of range 4 twenty-two west from the fourth principal meridian; thence 5 west upon the section lines to the southwest corner of sec-6 tion nineteen in township thirty-four of range twenty-five; 7 thence north upon the line between ranges twenty-five and 8 twenty-six to the northwest corner of town thirty-seven of 9 range twenty-five; thence east upon the line between town-10 ships thirty-seven and thirty-eight to the northeast corner 11 of town thirty-seven of range twenty-three; thence south

12 upon the line between ranges twenty-two and twenty-three

13 to the northwest corner of town thirty-five of range twenty-

14 two; thence east on the north line of said town to the north-

15 east corner thereof; thence south on the line between ranges 16 twenty-one and twenty-two to the place of beginning.

SECT. 28. The county of Itasca is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning on the north boundary line c.s. p. 76, Sect. 6; 3 of the state in the middle of the Lake of the Woods; thence 1862-p. 285.

4 on a line running due south to the middle of the main chan-

5 nel of the Mississippi river; thence down said channel to

6 the line between townships forty-seven and forty-eight north

on the fourth meridian; thence east on said township line

to the line between ranges twenty-one and twenty-two; 9 thence due north to the boundary between the United States

10 and British Possessions; thence westerly along said bound-

11 ary to the place of beginning.

SECT. 29. The county of Jackson is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of c. s. p. 100, sect. 3 township one hundred and one north of range thirty-four 4 west; thence north on the line between ranges thirty-three 5 and thirty-four to the north east corner of town one hun-6 dred and four north of range thirty-four west; thence west on the line between towns one hundred and four and one

hundred and five to the north west corner of town one

9 hundred and four of range thirty-eight west; thence south 10 on the line between ranges thirty-eight and thirty-nine to

11 the south west corner of town one hundred and one of range

12 thirty-eight, thence east on the state boundary line to the

13 place of beginning.

SECT. 30. The county of Kanabec is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of c. s. p. 105, Beet 3 township thirty-eight, range twenty-three west; thence 216. 4 west to the south west corner of township thirty-eight, range

5 twenty-five west; thence north to the north west corner of 6 township forty, range twenty-five west; thence east to the

south west corner of township forty-one, range twenty-four

west; thence north to the north west corner of township 9 forty-two, range twenty-four west; thence east to the north

10 east corner of township forty-two, range twenty-two west;

11 thence south to the south east corner of township forty-one,

12 range twenty-two west; thence west to the north east corner

13 of township forty, range twenty-three west; thence south

14 to the place of beginning.

SECT. 31. The county of Kandiyohi is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of

3 township one hundred and seventeen, range thirty-three;

C. S. p. 106, Sect.

4 thence running west to the south west corner of township 5 one hundred and seventeen, range thirty-six; thence north 6 to the north west corner of township one hundred and nine-7 teen, range thirty-six; thence east to the north east corner 8 of township one hundred and nineteen, range thirty-three, 9 and thence south to the place of beginning.

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The county of Lac qui Parle is established SECT. 32. 2 and bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the 3 channel of the Minnesota river at the intersection of the 4 line between ranges forty-three and forty-four; thence 5 northwardly on said range line to the north west corner of 6 township one hundred and twenty-four; range forty-three; 7 thence eastwardly on the line between townships one hun-8 dred and twenty-four and one hundred and twenty-five, to 9 the north east corner of township one hundred and twenty-10 four, range forty-one; thence southwardly on the line be-11 tween ranges forty and forty-one, to the south east corner 12 of township one hundred and eighteen, range forty-one; 13 thence westwardly on the line between townships one hun-14 dred and seventeen and one hundred and eighteen to the 15 centre of the channel of the Minnesota river; thence up the 16 centre of the main channel of said river to the place of be 17 ginning.

C. S. p. 94, Sect. 139.

SECT. 33. The county of Lake is established and bound-2 ed as follows: Beginning at the mouth of Knife river on 3 the north shore of Lake Superior; thence due north to the 4 boundary line between the United States and British Possessions; thence easterly on said boundary line to the 6 boundary line between Minnesota and Wisconsin; thence 7 westwardly on said state boundary to a point due south of 8 the mouth of Knife river; thence to the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 85, Sects. 71, 3; C. S. p. 89, Sect.

Sect. 34. The county of LeSueur is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the centre of the main channel of the Minnesota river where the line between sections eighteen and nineteen of township one hundred and nine of range twenty-six crosses said river; thence east on said section line to the line between ranges twenty-four and twenty-five; thence south on said line to the line between townships one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine; thence east on said line to the line between ranges twenty-two and twenty-three; thence north on said range line to the line between townships one hundred and twelve

12 and one hundred and thirteen; thence west on said town-13 ship line to the northwest corner of town one hundred and 14 twelve of range twenty-five; thence south on the west line

15 of said town to its intersection with the main channel of the

16 Minnesota river; thence following said channel to its next

17 intersection with said lines; thence following said line to its 18 third intersection with said channel on the west side of section 19 seven in said town; thence up said channel to the line be-20 tween sections twenty-four and twenty-five in town one 21 hundred and twelve of range twenty-six; thence west on 22 said line to the northwest corner of said section twenty-five; 23 thence south on the west line of said section to the quarter 24 post; thence west on the quarter line to the west quarter 25 post of section twenty-six in said town; thence south on 26 the section line to the middle of the channel of the Minne-27 sota river; thence up said channel to the place of begin-28 ning.

SECT. 35. The county of Lincoln is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the northeast corner of town one hundred and seventeen, of range tnirty-one; 1861-p. 261. M c 2 2 thence in a southerly direction, along the range line between ranges thirty and thirty-one to the south east corner of town one hundred and fifteen, of range thirty-one; thence in a westerly direction, along the town line between towns one hundred and fourteen and one hundred and fif-9 teen, to the south west corner of town one hundred and fif-10 teen of range thirty-five; thence in a northerly direction, 11 along the range line between ranges thirty-five and thirty-12 six, to the north west corner of town one hundred and six-13 teen of range thirty-five; thence in an easterly direction, 14 along the town line between towns one hundred and sixteen 15 and one hundred and seventeen to the south east corner of 16 town one hundred and seventeen of range thirty-three; 17 thence in a northerly direction, along the range line 18 between ranges thirty-two and thirty-three, to the north 19 west corner of town one hundred and seventeen, of range 20 thirty-two; thence east to the place of beginning.

SECT. 36. The county of Manomin is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the middle of the channel of the Mississippi river at its intersection with the line co. s. p. 102, sect. between townships twenty river at its intersection with the line 196. between townships twenty-nine and thirty, north of range 5 twenty-four, west from the fourth meridian; thence east on 6 said township line to the south east corner of town thirty of range twenty-four; thence north on the east line of said town to the north east corner thereof; thence west on the 9 north line of said town to the centre of the channel of the 10 Mississippi river; thence down the middle of said channel 11 to the place of beginning.

SECT. 37. The county of Martin is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south west corner 3 of township one hundred and one, north of range twenty-4 eight west; thence north on the line between ranges twenty-

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C. S. p. 100, Sect.

5 eight and tweny-nine to the north east corner of town one 6 hundred and four of range twenty-nine; thence west on the 7 line between townships one hundred and four and one hun-8 dred and five, to the north west corner of town one hun-9 dred and four of range thirty-three; thence south on the 10 line between ranges thirty-three and thirty-four to the south 11 west corner of town one hundred and one of range thirty-12 three; thence east on the line between Iowa and Minne-13 sota to the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 93 Sect. 135.

SECT. 38. The county of McLeod is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of 3 town one hundred and fifteen of range twenty-seven west 4 from the fifth meridian; thence north on the line between 5 ranges twenty-six and twenty-seven to the north east cor-6 ner of town one hundred and seventeen of range twentyseven; thence west on the line between towns one hundred and seventeen and one hundred and eighteen to the north 9 west corner of town one hundred and seventeen of range 10 thirty; thence south on the line between ranges thirty and 11 thirty-one to the south west corner of town one hundred 12 and fourteen of range thirty; thence east on the line be-13 tween towns one hundred and thirteen and one hundred 14 and fourteen to the south east corner of town one hundred 15 and fourteen of range twenty-nine; thence north on the 16 east line of said town to the north east corner thereof; 17 thence east on the line between townships one hundred and 18 fourteen and one hundred and fifteen to the place of begin-19 ning.

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SECT. 39. The county of Meeker is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of 3 town one hundred and eighteen north of range twenty-nine 4 west from the fifth meridian; thence north on the line be-5 tween ranges twenty-eight and twenty-nine to the north 6 east corner of section twenty-four of town one hundred and twenty-one in range twenty-nine; thence west on the sec-8 tion lines to the north east corner of section twenty-four of 9 town one hundred and twenty-one of range thirty; thence 10 north on the east line of said town to the north east corner 11 thereof; thence west on the line between towns one hun-12 dred and twenty-one and one hundred and twenty-two to 13 the north west corner of town one hundred and twenty-one 14 of range thirty-two; thence south on the line between 15 ranges thirty-two and thirty-three to the south west corner 16 of town one hundred and eighteen of range thirty-two; 17 thence east on the line between townships one hundred and 18 seventeen and one hundred and eighteen to the place of be-19 ginning.

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SECT. 40. The county of Mille Lacs is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of 3 township thirty-six north of range twenty-six west from c. s. p. 88, Sect. 175; the fourth meridian; thence north on the line between special Laws of 1860-p. 97. 5 ranges twenty-five and twenty-six to the north east corner of township forty of range twenty-six; thence east on the 7 line between townships forty and forty-one to the south 8 east corner of town forty-one of range twenty-five; thence 9 north on the line between ranges twenty-four and twenty-10 five to the north east corner of town forty-three of range 11 twenty-five; thence west on the line between towns forty-12 three and forty-four to the north west corner of town forty-13 three of range twenty-seven; thence south on the line be-14 tween ranges twenty-seven and twenty-eight to the south 15 west corner of town thirty-six of range twenty-seven; thence 16 east on the line between towns thirty-five and thirty-six to 17 the place of beginning.

SECT. 41. The county of Monongalia is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of 3 town one hundred and twenty of range thirty-three; and 1861-p. 267, sect. 5/1 c 2 7.
4 running thence in a westerly direction along the line be-1 tween towns one hundred and nineteen and one hundred and twenty, to the south west corner of town one hundred and twenty of range thirty-six; thence in a northerly direction along the range line, between ranges thirty-six and 9 thirty-seven, to the north west corner of town one hundred 10 and twenty-two, of range thirty-six; thence in an easterly 11 direction, along the lines between towns one hundred and 12 twenty-two and one hundred and twenty-three, to the north 13 east corner of town one hundred and twenty-two, of range 14 thirty-three; thence in a southerly direction along the line 15 between ranges thirty-two and thirty-three to the place of 16 beginning.

SECT. 42. The county of Morrison is established and 3 the Mississippi river at its intersection with the line between c.s.p.91, sect. 117. 4 townships thirty-eight, and thirty-night. 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the main channel of 4 townships thirty-eight and thirty-nine north on the fourth 5 meridian; thence on said township line to the line between 6 ranges twenty-seven and twenty-eight; thence north on said range line to the line between townships forty-two and 8 forty-three; thence west on said township line to the centre 9' of the main channel of the Mississippi river; thence down 10 along said channel to the place of beginning.

SECT. 43. The county of Mower is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner 3 of township one hundred and one north of range fourteen 4 west of the fifth principal meridian; thence west on the lien

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C. S. p. 83, Sect. 63; C. S. p. 103, Sect. 204.

5 between Minnesota and Iowa to the line between ranges 6 eighteen and nineteen; thence north on said range line to 7 the line between townships one hundred and four and one 8 hundred and five; thence east on said township line to the 9 north east corner of town one hundred and four of range 10 sixteen; thence south on the east line of said town to the 11 north east corner of section twelve in said town; thence 12 east on the section line to the north east corner of section 13 twelve in town one hundred and four of range fourteen; 14 thence south on the line between ranges thirteen and four-15 teen to the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 101, Sect.

Sect. 44. The county of Murray is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of town one hundred and five north of range thirty-nine west; thence north on the line between ranges thirty-eight and thirty-nine to the north east corner of town one hunded and eight of range thirty-nine; thence west on the line between townships one hundred and eight and one hundred and eight of range forty-three; thence south on the line between ranges forty-three and forty-four to the south west corner of town one hundred and five of range forty-three; thence east on the line between towns one hundred and four and one hundred and five to the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 85, Sect. 72.

SECT. 45. The county of Nicollet is established and bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the channel of the Minnesota river on the line between townships 4 one hundred and eleven and one hundred and twelve north 5 in range twenty-six west; thence west on said township line 6 to the centre of the channel of the Minnesota river in range 7 thirty-three west; thence down along the middle of the main 8 channel of said river to the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 100, Sect.

Sect. 46. The county of Nobles is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of township one hundred and one north of range thirty-nine west of the fifth principal meridian; thence north on the line between ranges thirty-eight and thirty-nine to the north east corner of township one hundred and four north range thirty-nine west; thence west on the line between townships one hundred and four and one hundred and five to the north west corner of township one hundred and four of range forty-three; thence south on the line between ranges forty-three and forty-four to the south west corner to town one hundred and one of range forty-three; thence ast on the line between Minnesota and Iowa to the place of beginning.

SECT. 47. The county of Olmsted is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner c. s. 5.88, sect. 61; 3 of township one hundred and five north of range eleven c. s 4 west from the fifth principal meridian; thence west on the 5 line between townships one hundred and four and one hun-6 dred and five to the north east corner of town one hundred 7 and four of range fourteen; thence south on the east line of 8 said town to the south east corner of section one in said 9 town; thence west on the section line to the south west 10 corner of section six in town one hundred and four of range 11 fifteen; thence north on the line between ranges fifteen and 12 sixteen to the north west corner of town one hundred and 13 eight of range fifteen; thence east on the line between town-14 ships one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine to 15 the north east corner of town one hundred and eight of 16 range thirteen; thence south on the east line of said town 17 to the line between townships one hundred and seven and 18 one hundred and eight; thence east on said township line 19 to the north east corner of town one hundred and seven of 20 range eleven; thence south on the line between ranges ten 21 and eleven to the place of beginning.

The county of Otter Tail is established and SECT. 48. 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the north west corner 1862-p. 272. 5/1 = 32 3 of township one hundred and thirty-seven, of range forty-4 three; thence eastwardly on the line between townships 5 one hundred and thirty-seven and one hundred and thirtyeight, to the north east corner of township one hundred and thirty-seven, of range thirty-six; thence southwardly on 8 the line between ranges thirty-five and thirty-six, to the 9 south east corner of township one hundred and thirty-one, 10 of range thirty-six; thence westwardly on the line between 11 townships one hundred and thirty and one hundred and 12 thirty-one, to the south west corner of township one hundred 13 and thirty-one, of range forty-three; thence northwardly on 14 the line between ranges forty-three and forty-four, to the 15 place of beginning.

SECT. 49. The county of Pembina is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at a point in the middle of the main channel of the Red River of the North, opposite c. s. p. 107, sect. the mouth of Turtle river; thence east to a line running co; c. s. p. 76, sect. due south from the centre of Lake of the Woods; thence on north on said line to the centre of said Lake of the Woods; thence westerly on the line between the United States and British Possessions to the middle of the main channel of the Red river; thence up said river along the middle of the main channel thereof to the place of beginning.

1 Sect. 50. The county of Pine is established and boun-

C. S. D. 95, Sect. 143; C. S. p. 99, Sects. 176, 177; C. S. p. Cl 105, Sect. 216; 1861

2 ded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the main chan3 nel of the St. Croix river on the line between townships
4 thirty-seven and thirty-eight north of the fourth meridian;
5 thence west on said township line to the south west corner
6 of town thirty-eight of range twenty-two; thence north on
7 the line between ranges twenty-two and twenty-three, to
8 the north west corner of town forty of range twenty-two;
9 thence east on the line between townships forty and forty10 one, to the south west corner of town forty-one of range
11 twenty-one; thence north on the line between ranges
12 twenty-one and twenty-two to the north west corner of town
13 forty-five of range twenty-one; thence east on the line be14 tween towns forty-five and forty-six, to the boundary line
15 between Wisconsin and Minnesota; thence southerly along
16 said boundary line to the place of beginning.

5 0 3 0 1862-p. 270, Sect. 2. 1 Sect. 51. The county of Pipestone is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the 3 line between townships one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine, with the western boundary of the state; 5 thence eastwardly on said township line to the north east 6 corner of township one hundred and eight, range forty-four; 7 thence southwardly on the line between ranges forty-three 8 and forty-four, to the south east corner of township one 9 hundred and five, range forty-four; thence westwardly on 10 the line between townships one hundred and four and one 11 hundred and five, to its intersection with the western boundary of the state; thence north along said boundary to the 13 place of beginning.

C. S. p. 107, Sect. 231; C. S. p. 96, Sect. 6; 1862—p. 262 & 271.

SECT. 52. The county of Polk is established and bounded as follows: Beginning in the middle of the main chanal nel of the Red river of the north, opposite the mouth of Turtle river; thence up along the centre of said channel to the line between townships one hundred and forty-two and one hundred and forty-three; thence easterly on said township line to Itasca lake or the Mississippi river; thence down the centre of the main channel of said river to a line running due south from the centre of the Lake of the Woods; thence north on said line to a line running due ast from the mouth of Turtle river; thence west on said line to the place of beginning.

G} ← V <sup>2</sup> 62—p. 258, Sect. 4.

1 Sect. 53. The county of Pope is established and bound-2 ed as follows: Beginning at the north west corner of town-3 ship one hundred and twenty-six range forty; thence east-4 wardly on the line between townships one hundred and 5, twenty-six and one hundred and twenty-seven, to the north 6 east corner of township one hundred and twenty-six, range 7 thirty-six; thence southwardly on the line between ranges

8 thirty-five and thirty-six to the south east corner of town-9 ship one hundred and twenty-three, range thirty-six; thence 10 westwardly on the line between townships one hundred and 11 twenty-two and one hundred and twenty-three, to the south 12 west corner of township one hundred and twenty-three,

13 range forty; thence northwardly on the line between ranges

14 forty and forty-one to the place of beginning.

SECT. 54. The county of Ramsey is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the north west corner of 3 town thirty north of range twenty-three west of the fourth s. p. 25, P. 75, Sects. 2824 principal meridian; thence east on the line between town91, Sects. 115 to 118, c 5 ships thirty and thirty-one to the north east corner of town 10, 50, 50ct. 183, p. 2 / 6 thirty of range twenty-two; thence south on the line be-sect. 185, p. 185, 2 / 7 tween ranges twenty-one and twenty-two to the south east Sects. 196 & 200; 271; 5/1/2, 2 8 corner of section twenty-four in town twenty-eight of range 1862-p. 265. 5/1/2 2 8 9 twenty-two; thence west on the section line to the middle 10 of the main channel of the Mississippi river; thence up the 11 middle of said channel to the mouth of the Minnesota river; 12 thence following the western channel of said Mississippi 13 river, so as to include in Ramsey county the islands in said 14 Mississippi river at and above the mouth of said Minnesota 15 river, to the line between sections thirty-one and thirty-16 two of town twenty-nine in range twenty-three; thence 17 north on the section line to the north west corner of section 18 five in said town; thence west on the north line of said 19 town to the north west corner thereof; thence north on the 20 line between ranges twenty-three and twenty-four to the

21 place of beginning. SECT. 55. The county of Redwood is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the chan- shear 3 nel of the Minnesota river on the line between ranges thir- 1802-p. 225, 226; C. 4 ty-three and thirty-four, west of the fifth meridian; thence 79, Sect. 34, p. 78, c. / 5 south on said range line to the line between towns one hun-sect. 8, p. 108, Sects. c. /
6 dred and eight and one hundled and pines thouse west on 187, 188, 189. dred and eight and one hundred and nine; thence west on said township line to the western boundary of the state; 8 thence north along said boundary line to the Bigstone lake; 9 thence, following the main channel of the Minnesota river,

SECT. 56. The county of Renville is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the middle of the main 3 channel of the Minnesota river on the line between town-c.s.p. 85, 8ect. 75; c / 4 ships one hundred and seventeen and one hundred and c.s.p. 106, 8ect. C / 5 eighteen north, on the fifth principal meridian; thence west 6 on said township line to the line between ranges thirthy-six 7 and thirty-seven; thence south on said range line to the line between townships one hundred and sixteen and one

10 to the place of beginning.

hundred and seventeen; thence east on said township line

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10 to the north east corner of town one hundred and sixteen, 11 of range thirty-six; thence south on the line between rang-12 es thirty-five and thirty-six, to the line between townships 13 one hundred and fourteen and one hundred and fifteen; 14 thence east on said township line to the line between ranges 15 thirty-one and thirty-two; thence south on said range line 16 to the line between townships one hundred and eleven and 17 one hundred and twelve; thence west on said township line

18 to the centre of the main channel of the Minnesota river; 19 thence up said channel, to the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 84, Sect. 68; C. S. p. 98, Sect. 173.

SECT. 57. The county of Rice is established and bound-2 ed as follows: Beginning at the south west corner of township one hundred and nine north, of range eighteen west of the fifth meridian; thence west on the line between 5 towns one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine, to 6 the line between ranges twenty-two and twenty-three; thence 7 north on said range line to the township line between townships one hundred and twelve and one hundred and thir-9 teen; thence east on said township line to the line between 10 ranges twenty and twenty-one; thence south, on said range 11 line to the north west corner of section thirty-one of town-12 ship one hundred and twelve, in range twenty; thence east 13 on the section line to the north east corner of section thir-14 ty-six of town one hundred and twelve, in range nineteen; 15 thence south on the line between ranges eighteen and nine-16 teen, to the place of beginning.

9/133D 1862—p. 269, Sect. 1.

1 Sect. 58. The county of Rock is established and bound2 ed as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the line
3 between townships one hundred and four and one hundred
4 and five, with the western boundary of the state; thence
5 eastwardly on said township line to the north east corner
6 of township one hundred and four range forty-four; thence
7 southwardly on the line between ranges forty-three and
8 forty-four to the south east corner of township one hun9 dred and one, range forty-four; thence westerly on the line
10 between townships one hundred and one hundred and one,
11 following the southern boundary of the state, to its inter12 section with the western boundary of the state; thence due
13 north along said boundary to the place of beginning.

c. S. p. 94, Sect. 140; c. s. p. 99, Sect. 177. SECT. 59. The county of Saint Louis is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south west corner 3 of township fifty north of range twenty-one west of the 4 fourth meridian; thence due north to the north boundary of 5 the state; thence east on the boundary line between the 6 United States and British Possessions to a line drawn due 7 north from the mouth of Knife river; thence south on 8 said line to the boundary between Minnesota and Wiscon-

9 sin in Lake Superior; thence following said boundary line 10 and the main channel of the St. Louis river to the line be-

11 tween ranges fifteen and sixteen; thence north on said

12 range line to the line between townships forty-nine and

13 fifty; thence east on said township line to the place of be-

14 ginning.

ginning.

SECT. 60. The county of Scott is established and bound-2 ed as follows: Beginning at the north east corner of town- & 70. 3 ship one hundred and twelve north in range twenty-one 4 west of the fifth meridian; thence west on the township 5 line between townships one hundred and twelve and one 6 hundred and thirteen to the middle of the main channel of 7 the Minnesota river; thence down said channel to the mouth 8 of Credit river; thence in a direct line to the place of be-

Sect. 61. The county of Sherburne is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the main c.s.p.o., sect. 116; 3 channel of the Mississippi river on the line between town-c.s.p. 87, sect. 28; c 4 ships thirty-five and thirty-six; thence east on said town
1881-p. 289. 5; c 28 5 shipl ine to the line between ranges twenty-five and twenty-6 six; thence south on said range line to the centre of the

7 main channel of the Mississippi river; thence up said

8 channel to the place of beginning.

Sect. 62. The county of Sibley is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the main 3 channel of the Minnesota river on the line between town-3 channel of the Minnesota river on the line between town-4 ships one hundred and eleven and one hundred and twelve; 73; C. S. p. 80, 80c. 5 thence west on said township line to the line between ranges 100; c. s. p. 93, 94, sect. 135. 6 thirty-one and thirty-two; thence north on said range line 7 to the line between townships one hundred and fourteen and one hundred and fifteen; thence east on said township line 9 to the line between ranges thirty and thirty-one; thence 10 south on said range line to the line between townships one 11 hundred and thirteen and one hundred and fourteen; thence 12 east on said township line to the line between ranges twenty-13 eight and twenty-nine; thence north on said range line to the 14 line between townships one hundred and fourteen and one 15 hundred and fifteen; thence east on said township line to the 16 line between ranges twenty-five and twenty-six; thence 17 south on said range line to the north west corner of section 18 nineteen of township one hundred and fourteen of range 19 twenty-five; thence east on the section line to the north 20 east corner of section twenty-four in said township; thence 21 south on the east line of said township to the centre of the 22 main channel of the Minnesota river; thence up said chan-23 nel to the line between townships one hundred and twelve 24 and one hundred and thirteen; thence east on said town-

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25 ship line to the north west corner of town one hundred and 26 twelve of range twenty-six; thence south on the east line 27 of said town to its intersection with the main channel of 28 the Minnesota river; thence following said channel to its 29 next intersection with said line; thence following said line 30 to its third intersection with said channel on the east side 31 of section twelve in said town; thence up said channel to 32 the line between sections twenty-four and twenty-five in 33 said town; thence west to the north west corner of said 34 section twenty-five; thence south on the west line of said 35 section to the quarter post; thence west on the quarter line 36 of section twenty-six in said town to the section line be-37 tween said section twenty-six and section twenty-seven; 38 thence south on said section line to the middle of the main 39 channel of the Minnesota river; thence up said channel to 40 the place of beginning.

C. S. p. 86, Sects. 77 & 78; 1861—p. 260, 262, 267.

The county of Stearns is established and SECT. 63. 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the main channel of the Mississippi river opposite the mouth of Clear-4 water river; thence up the middle of the main channel of 5 said Clearwater river to the line between ranges twentyeight and twenty-nine west of the fifth principal meridian; thence south to the north east corner of section twenty-four 8 of town one hundred and twenty-one of range twenty-nine; 9 thence west on the section line to the south west corner of 10 section eighteen in said town; thence north on the west 11 line of said town to the north west corner of said town; 12 thence west on the line between townships one hundred and 13 twenty-one and one hundred and twenty-two to the line 14 between ranges thirty-two and thirty-three; thence north 15 on said range line to the line between towns one hundred 16 and twenty-two and one hundred and twenty-three; thence 17 west on said township line to the line between ranges thirty-18 five and thirty-six; thence north on said range line to the 19 north west corner of section thirty of town one hundred and 20 twenty-seven in range thirty-five; thence east on the sec-21 tion line to the centre of the main channel of the Mississippi river nearly opposite the mouth of Platte river; thence 23 down the centre of said channel to the place of beginning.

C / C. S. p. 84, Sect. 67; C. S. p. 93, Sect. 132; C. S. p. 96, Sect. 159.

1 Sect. 64. The county of Steele is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of 3 town one hundred and five north of range nineteen west of 4 the fifth principal meridian; thence west on the line between townships one hundred and four and one hundred 6 and five to the line between ranges twenty one and twenty-7 two; thence north on said range line to the line between 8 townships one hundred and eight and one hundred and 9 nine; thence east on said township line to the line between

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10 ranges eighteen and nineteen; thence south on said range 11 line to the place of beginning.

The county of Stevens is established and SECT. 65. 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the north west corner of 3 township one hundred and thirty, range forty-three; thence 1862-p. 229. 3 1 2 2 5 5 4 eastwardly on the line between townships one hundred and 5 thirty and one hundred and thirty-one to the north east 6 corner of township one hundred and thirty, range forty-7 one; thence southwardly on the line between ranges forty 8 and forty-one to the south east corner of township one hun-9 dred and twenty-five, range forty-one; thence westwardly 10 on the line between townships one hundred and twenty-11 four and one hundred and twenty-five, to the south west 12 corner of township one hundred and twenty-five, range 13 forty-three; thence northwardly on the line between ranges 14 forty-three and forty-four to the place of beginning.

SECT. 66. The county of Todd is established and bound-3 of the Mississippi river on the section line running parallel c. s. p. 85, Sect. 88; 4 with, and two miles north of, the line between townships 246 2 ed as follows: Beginning in the centre of the main channel 5 one hundred and twenty-six and one hundred and twenty-6 seven; thence west on said section line to the line between ranges thirty-five and thirty-six; thence north on said range line to the line between townships one hundred and 9 thirty-three and one hundred and thirty-four; thence east 10 on said township line to the line between ranges thirty-two 11 and thirty-three; thence north on said range line to the 12 centre of the main channel of Crow Wing river; thence 13 down the centre of the main channels of said Crow Wing 14 river and of the Mississippi river to the place of begin-

Sect. 67. The county of Traverse is established and 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the centre of the channel 3 of the Bois des Sioux (Sioux Wood) river at the intersec-4 tion of the line between townships one hundred and twenty-1802-p. 250. Sh c 3 2 3 6 5 nine and one hundred and thirty; thence eastwardly on 6 said township line to the north east corner of township one 7 hundred and twenty-nine, range forty-four; thence south-8 wardly on the line between ranges forty-three and forty-9 four to the south east corner of township one hundred and 10 twenty-five, range forty-four; thence westwardly on the . 11 line between townships one hundred and twenty-four and 12 one hundred and twenty-five to the western boundary of 13 the state; thence on said boundary line, passing through 14 Lake Traverse and along the Bois des Sioux river, to the 15 place of beginning.

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C.S. p. 81, Sects. 47, 48; C. S. p. 83, Sect. 61; C. S. p. 87, Sects. 80, 83.

SECT. 68. The county of Wabashaw is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of 3 town one hundred and eight north of range eleven west 4 from the fifth principal meridian; thence west on the line 5 between towns one hundred and seven and one hundred 6 and eight to the line between ranges twelve and thirteen; 7-thence north on said range line to the line between town-8 ships one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine; thence west on said township line to the line between ranges 10 fourteen and fifteen; thence north on said range line to the 11 line between townships one hundred and fourteen and one 12 hundred and fifteen; thence east on said township line to 13 the line between ranges thirteen and fourteen; thence north 14 on said range line to the line between townships one hun-15 dred and fifteen and one hundred and sixteen; thence east 16 on said township line to the centre of Lake Pepin; thence 17 down the middle of said lake and of the main channel of 18 the Mississippi river to the line between townships one 19 hundred and eight and one hundred and nine; thence west 20 on said township line to the line between ranges ten and 21 eleven; thence south on said range line to the place of be-22 ginning.

C. S. p. 109, Sect. 246. Sect. 69. The county of Wadena is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the south west corner of township one hundred and thirty-four north, of range thirty-five west of the fifth principal meridian; thence north on the line between ranges thirty-five and thirty-six, to the north west corner of town one hundred and thirty-eight, of range thirty-five; thence east on the line between townships one hundred and thirty-eight and one hundred thirty-nine, to the north east corner of town one hundred and thirty-leight, of range thirty-three; thence south on the line between ranges thirty-two and thirty-three to the south east corner of town one hundred and thirty-four, of range thirty-three; thence west on the line between townships one hundred and thirty-three and one hundred and thirty-four, to the place of beginning.

£ . S.p. 96, sect. 159.

SECT. 70. The county of Waseca is established and bounded as follows: Beginning at the south west corner of town one hundred and five, of range twenty-one west, of the fifth meridian; thence west on the line between towns one hundred and four and one hundred and five to the south west corner of town one hundred and five, of range twenty-four; thence north on the line between ranges twenty-four and twenty-five, to the north west corner of town one hundred and eight, of range twenty-four; thence west on the line between townships one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine, to the north east corner of town one

12 hundred and eight, of range twenty-two; thence south on

- 13 the line between ranges twenty-one and twenty-two, to the
- 14 place of beginning.
- SECT. 71. The county of Washington is established and
- 2 bounded as follows: Beginning in the middle of the main 3 channel of the Mississippi river on the line between sections
- 4 twenty-three and twenty-six, of town twenty-eight north, c.s. p. 75, Sect. 2. 5 in range twenty-two roots.
- 5 in range twenty-two west; thence east on said section line
- 6 to the line between ranges twenty-one and twenty-two;
- 7 thence north on said range line to the line between town-
- 8 ships thirty-two and thirty-three; thence east on said town-
- 9 ship line to the centre of the main channel of the St. Croix
- 10 river; thence down the middle of said channel and of St.
- 11 Croix lake to the Mississippi river; thence up the middle
- 12 of the channel of said Mississippi river, to the place of be-
- 13 ginning.
- The county of Watonwan is established and SECT. 72.
- 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the north east corner of special Laws of 3 town one hundred and seven, of range thirty, west of the 1860-p. 37 C./3
- 4 fifth meridian; thence west on the line between townships
- 5 one hundred and seven and one hundred and eight to the line
- 6 between ranges thirty-three and thirty-four; thence south on
- 7 said range line to the line between townships one hundred
- 8 and four and one hundred and five; thence east on said
- 9 township line to the line between ranges twenty-nine and
- 10 thirty; thence north on said range line to the place of be-
- 11 ginning.
- The county of Winona is established and SECT. 73.
- 2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the south west corner c. s p. 81, Sect. 47
- 3 of township one hundred and five north of range ten west;
- 4 thence north on the line between ranges ten and eleven to
- 5 the line between townships one hundred and eight and one
- 6 hundred and nine; thence east on said township line to the
- 7 centre of the main channel of the Mississippi river; thence
- 8 down along the middle of said channel to the line between
- 9 townships one hundred and four and one hundred and five;
- 10 thence west on said township line to the place of beginning.
- 1 SECT. 74. The county of Wright is established and c/2 bounded as follows: Beginning at the most northern in-74, 1861-p. 202.
- 3 tersection of the Clearwater river with the line between
- 4 ranges twenty-eight and twenty-nine; thence south on said
- 5 range line to the line between townships one hundred and
- 6 seventeen and one hundred and eighteen; thence east on
- 7 said township line to the line between ranges twenty-four
- 8 and twenty-five; thence north on said range line to the cen-
- 9. tre of the main channel of the south branch of Crow river;

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- 10 thence down the middle of said channel, and of the main
- 11 channel of Crow river to the Mississippi river; thence up
- 12 the middle of the main channel of the Mississippi river and
- 13 of the Clearwater river to the place of beginning.

#### TITLE II.

#### ORGANIZATION, POWERS AND DUTIES.

1 SECT. 75. Each organized county within this state is a 2 body politic and corporate, and, as such, empowered to act 3 for the following purposes:

4 First.—To sue and be sued.

1860—p. 132, Sect. 2; 1864—p. 71, Sect. 1 combined.

- 5 Second.—To purchase and hold real and personal estate 6 for the use of the county, and lands sold for taxes, as pro7 vided by law, and to purchase and hold for the benefit of 8 the county, real estate sold by virtue of judicial proceedings 9 in which the county is plaintiff.
- 10 Third.—To sell and convey any real and personal estate, 11 owned by the county, and make such order respecting the 12 same as may be deemed conducive to the interests of the 13 inhabitants.
- 14 Fourth.—To make all contracts and do all other acts in 15 relation to the property and concerns of the county, neces16 sary to the exercise of its corporate powers.

e 15 1860—p. 132, Sect. 3. SECT. 76. All real and personal estate conveyed by any 2 form of conveyance, to any county, or the inhabitants 3 thereof, or to any person for the use and benefit thereof, or 4 its inhabitants, shall be deemed to be the property of such 5 county; and all such conveyances have the same force and 6 effect as if they were made to the inhabitants of such county 7 by their corporate name.

1860-p. 132, Sect. 4.

1 - Sect. 77. The powers of the county, as a body politic 2 and corporate, can only be exercised by the board of com-3 missioners thereof, or in pursuance of a resolution by them 4 adopted.

1860-p. 132, Sect. 6.

1 Sect. 78. Each county organized for judicial purposes, 2 shall provide a suitable court house, and a suitable and 3 sufficient jail, and fire-proof offices and other necessary 4 buildings, and keep the same in good repair.

1860—p. 132, Sects. 9 & 12 combined & amended.

1 SECT. 79. When any action is commenced against a 2 county, the process shall be served on the clerk of the 3 board of county commissioners, either during a session of 4 the board, or so that a session shall be held at least ten

5 days before the return day of such process, and the said 6 clerk shall forthwith notify the county attorney for said 7 county, and lay before the board of commissioners at 8 their next annual meeting all the information he may have 9 in regard to such action. The inhabitants of a county su-10 ing or being sued, may be jurors or witnesses, if otherwise 11 competent or qualified according to law.

Sect. 80. In all actions or proceedings by or against a county, the name in which the county shall sue or be sued, 3 shall be "the board of county commissioners of the county 1800 c, 183, seet. ----," (the name of the county); but this provision in 5 shall not prevent other county officers, when authorized by 6 law, from suing in their name of office for the benefit of the 7 county.

SECT. 81. When the claim of any person against a 2 county is disallowed in whole or in part by the board of 3 county commissioners, such person may appeal from the 5 county by causing a written notice of such appeal to be filed Amended 6 in the office of the county and the county are county are county and the county are county and the county are coun 6 in the office of the county auditor within thirty days after the decision appealed from was made. When the claim of any person against a county is allowed in whole or in part by the board of county commissioners, no order shall be is-10 sued in payment of such claim or any part thereof until the 11 expiration of thirty days from the date of the decision; and 12 the county attorney may in any case, and if the amount al-13 lowed exceeds twenty-five dollars he shall, upon the request 14 of three tax payers of the county, unless he is clearly of the 15 opinion that the allowance is just and probably would not 16 be reduced, on behalf of and in the name of such county, 17 appeal from the decision of such board to the district court 18 in the same county, by causing a written notice of such ap-19 peal to be filed in the office of the county auditor within 20 thirty days after the date of the decision appealed from; 21 and thereafter no order shall be issued in payment of any 22 part of such claim, until the judgment of the district court 23 in the proceedings shall be certified and filed in the of-24 fice of the county auditor. When notice of appeal is 25 filed as aforesaid, the district court shall have jurisdiction 26 of the parties and of the subject matter of the proceeding 27 and may compel a return to be made in the same manner as 28 in case of an appeal from a judgment of a justice of the 29 peace.

SECT. 82. Upon an appeal being taken as provided in 2 the preceding section, the county auditor shall without any 3 fee or charge for such service, within ten days thereafter, file 4 in the office of the clerk of the district court in the same

1862—p. 85, Sect. 2

5 county, a certified copy of the claim and a transcript from the record in the auditor's office of the action of the commissioners thereon, with a copy of the notice of appeal and the date of the filing thereof in his office. In case of an appeal 9 by a claimant, the county auditor shall immediately notify 10 the county attorney thereof. The proceeding shall be put 11 upon the trial calendar among the issues of fact for trial at 12 the next general term of the district court in the county 13 holden, after eight days from the date of the appeal; and on 14 or before the second day of such term, the court shall direct 15 pleadings to be made up as in civil actions, and thereon 16 the proceeding shall be tried, all questions of law aris-17 ing on the case being summarily heard and determined upon 18 the same pleadings; the issues of fact shall be tried as other 19 issues of fact are tried in the same court, and judgment 20 rendered and perfected as in civil actions; but no execu-21 tion shall issue thereon, except for the collection of a counter claim, or the collection of costs and disbursements, in case of a judgment therefor against a claimant. An appeal 24 from the judgment of the district court may be taken to the 25 supreme court, as in civil actions, within thirty days after 26 the actual entry of the judgment; if no appeal is taken within that time, a certified copy of the judgment shall be filed in the office of the county auditor, and if an appeal is taken to the supreme court, the determination of that court 30 shall be certified to the district court and judgment entered 31 in accordance therewith, and that judgment certified to and 32 filed in the office of the county auditor. In all of which 33 cases, after a certified copy of the judgment is filed in the 34 office of the county auditor, orders shall be drawn on the 35 county treasury in payment of any judgment in favor of a 36 claimant; and execution may issue out of the district court for the collection of any costs against a claimant. 38 That in any case where costs are awarded against a claim-39 ant, and there is any allowance on the claim in his favor, 40 the amount of such costs shall be deducted from such al-41 lowance; and in any case of an appeal the county may in the district court interpose as a counter claim any demand 43 which the county has against such claimant and have exe-44 cution for the collection of any judgment in its favor.

1 Sect. 83. When any judgment is recovered against the 2 board of commissioners of any county, or against any county 3 officer, in any action prosecuted by or against him in his 4 name of office, where the same is to be paid by the county, 5 no execution shall be awarded or issued upon such judgment except as herein provided; but unless revised the 7 amount of such judgment shall be levied and collected as other 8 county charges, and when so collected shall be paid by the 9 county treasurer to the person in whose favor such judg-

10 ment was rendered, upon the delivery of a proper voucher

11 therefor; but if payment is not made within thirty days

12 after the time the collector of taxes is required by law to 1800-p. 123, Sect.

13 make his return of county taxes, next after the rendition of 15. Amended. 14 such judgment, then execution may be issued on such judg-

15 ment, but the property of the county only is liable thereon;

16 Provided, That if at the time of the rendition of such judg-

17 ment, there are sufficient funds belonging to the county in

18 the treasury, the treasurer shall pay the same upon applica-

19 tion being made to him by the person in whose favor such

20 judgment was rendered, his agent or attorney.

#### TITLE III.

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Sect. 84. Every county shall be deemed an organized 2 county for the purposes of this title, and shall have a 3 board of county commissioners. In those counties which 4 poll eight hundred votes or more, the said board shall con-5 sist of five members, and in all other counties of three mem-6 bers, whose term of office shall be three years, and until

7 their successors are elected or appointed and qualified. SECT. 85. The counties which are organized into town- bined & combined.

2 ships, shall be divided into a number of districts equal to the 3 number of members constituting the board of commission-4 ers of each county, respectively, and numbered in numeri-5 cal order. The said districts shall be bounded by township 6 or ward lines, be composed of contiguous territory, and contain as nearly as practicable, an equal population. The 8 board of commissioners may re-district their counties re-9 spectively, after each United States or state census, taking 10 the population as shown by their said census as the basis.

2 shall be elected by the electors thereof, who shall, at the 1800-p. 125, sect. 3.

3 time of his election. Sect. 86. In each of said districts one commissioner 3 time of his election, be a resident of said district, and shall 4 reside therein during his continuance in office; and the elec-5 tion of said commissioner shall be conducted in all respects 6 like that of other county officers, and the returns made and certified to in like manner to the county auditor, who shall 8 proceed to canvass the votes according to law, and issue 9 certificates of election to the persons entitled to the same.

SECT. 87. Every county which has not a township organization, shall be divided into three commissioner dis-3 tricts, which shall contain as near an equal number of elec-

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1865—p. 125, Sect. 1.

4 tors as convenient, and in one of each of said districts, a 5 commissioner shall be elected, and the person elected from 6 district number one shall hold his office for the term of one 7 year; the person elected from district number two shall 8 hold his office for the term of two years; and the person 9 elected from district number three shall hold his office for 10 the term of three years; and a commissioner shall be elect-11 ed annually thereafter, for the term of three years. Pro-12 vided, That if the county commissioners are not elected as 13 herein provided for, they shall be appointed by the gover-14 nor from the qualified electors of the said county, and shall 15 qualify in the same manner as commissioners elected in ac-16 cordance with general laws.

1861—p. 46, Sect. 1. Amended.

2 commissioners will consist of five members, the person 3 elected from district number one, shall hold his office for 4 one year, the persons elected from districts number two 5 and three, for two years, and the persons elected from districts number four and five, for three years, and thereafter, 7 the commissioners elected shall hold for the term of three 8 years; and in every county, where the board of county commissioners will consist of three members, the person elected 10 from district number one, shall hold his office for one year, 11 the person elected from district number two for two years, 12 and the person elected from district number three for three 13 years, and a commissioner shall be elected annually there-14 after for three years.

215 a 2 1860—p. 134, Sect. 2. Amended. 1 Secr. 89. For the first districting under this chapter, 2 and for any re-districting to increase the number of com-3 missioners from three to five, rendered necessary in consequence of increase of population, the votes cast at the last 5 annual election shall be taken as the basis, but this shall 6 not apply to a re-districting based upon any census taken 7 under the authority of the United States or of this state.

C154 2. 1860—p. 185, Sect. 4.

SECT. 90. If the requisite number of county commis-2 sioners is not elected by reason of two or more persons 3 having an equal number of votes for the said office, the au-4 ditor shall give notice in writing to the persons so having 5 an equal number of votes, to attend at the office of the 6 auditor, at a time to be appointed by the said auditor, who 7 shall then and there proceed publicly to decide by lot, 8 which of said persons, shall be declared duly elected, and 9 the said auditor shall make and deliver to the person thus 10 declared duly elected, a certificate of his election as herein-11 before provided.

1 Sect. 91. Each person elected as a commissioner,

2 shall, on receiving a certificate of his election, take an 1860 Ep. 133, Sect. 3 oath to support the constitution of the United States, the a Amended. 4 constitution of this state, and faithfully and impartially to 5 discharge the duties of his office as such commissioner, before any person authorized to administer oaths, which oath shall be certified on the back of such certificate, by the per-8 son administering the same, and said certificate so indorsed

9 shall be filed with the clerk of the district court of the 10 proper county, and thereupon, said commissioner shall en-

11 ter upon the duties of his office.

SECT. 92. The county commissioners shall each receive three dollars per day, for each day they are necessari-26/ 1865—p. 124, Sect. I. 3 ly employed in transacting the county business, and six cents per mile for every mile traveled in going to or return-5 ing from the meeting of the county board, in the discharge of any official duty, computed by the nearest traveled route. But no county commissioner shall receive pay for more than 8 twenty days in any one year, or be entitled to travelling 9 fees for attendance on more than six sessions in any one 10 year.

c15 a 2 Sect. 93. A majority of the board of commissioners 1860-p. 133, sect. 2 shall be a quorum; but no business shall be done unless 3 voted for by a majority of the whole board.

SECT. 94. The board of commissioners shall meet at 2 the county seat of their respective counties, for the purpose 1860-p. 130, Sect. 3 of transacting such business as may devolve upon or be 11. Amended 4 brought before them, on the first Tuesday of January and September in each year, and may hold such extra sessions

as they deem necessary for the interest of the county. Such extra session shall be called by a majority of the

board, and the clerk shall give at least ten days notice thereof to the commissioners, but no regular session shall contin-

10 ue longer than six days and no extra session longer than

11 three days.

Sect. 95. Whenever there is a vacancy in the office of 2 county commissioner from death, resignation or otherwise, 3 and the interests of the county require such vacancy to be 1850-p. 135, sect. 4 filled before the next annual election, the probate judge, 5 auditor and register of deeds of such county, or a majority of them, shall meet at the county seat and fill such vacancy, and the person so appointed shall continue in office until the next annual election, and until the commissioner then 9 elected is qualified and no longer; and the absence of any 10 commissioner from the county for six months in succession, 11 shall be deemed a resignation of office.

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1860—p. 187, Sect. 14. Amended. 1 Sect. 96. The commissioners shall have and use the 2 seal of the auditor of their county as their common seal, and 3 copies of their proceedings when signed, sealed and attested, as provided by law, shall be evidence of such proceedings in any of the courts of this state.

1860—p. 137, Sect.

Sect. 97. The commissioners, at their annual session in January, or at their first session in each year, shall elect one of their number as chairman, who shall preside at the meetings of the Board, and sign all documents requiring the signature of the board, and the signature of such person, as chairman of the board of commissioners, attested by the auditor, shall be as legal and binding as if the entire board had affixed their names; *Provided*, That in case the chairman so elected, is absent at any meeting of the board, all documents requiring the signature of the board, shall be signed by all the members present.

1800—p. 137, Sect. 16. Amended. 2 meeting in January, shall select from the qualified electors 3 of the several election districts of their respective counties, 4 or of the counties attached thereto for judicial purposes 5 seventy-two persons, properly qualified, to serve as grand 6 jurors, and the same number of persons, properly qualified, 7 to serve as petit jurors, and shall make out separate lists 8 thereof, which lists shall be certified and signed by the 9 chairman of the board, attested by the clerk, and shall be 10 forthwith delivered to the clerk of the district court; Pro11 vided, That if in any county the county commissioners are 12 not able to select the number required by this section for 13 grand and petit jurors, they shall select a less number, and 14 the highest number possible.

1860—p. 137, Sect.

1 SECT. 99. If for any cause such list is not made and 2 delivered as aforesaid, by the board of county commission-3 ers at their annual meeting in January, they shall make out 4 and deliver the same as asoresaid, at any regular or special 5 session thereafter.

1860—p. 137, Sect.

1 Sect. 100. In preparing such list the board of county 2 commissioners shall select such persons as they know, or 3 have good reason to believe are possessed of the qualifications of jurors and not exempt by law.

150-p. 138, Sect.

1 Sect. 101. The board of commissioners shall provide 2 offices for the sheriff, the register of deeds, and the clerk 3 of the district court, and also provide all books and stationery necessary for the use of the board, the office of 5 register of deeds, and county surveyor, the clerk of the 6 district court, probate court, and county treasurer, and

7 also provide convenient desks for the preservation and se-8 curity of the books and other documents in the several offi-

9 ces; but said commissioners shall not appropriate for books,

10 stationery and furniture to any one office in any one year

11 more than one hundred dollars.

1 SECT. 102. In case the office of register of deeds be- 2 / a 2-2 comes vacant by death, resignation or otherwise, the said 20. Amended. 3 board shall meet forthwith, at the place where their next 4 regular meeting would be held, and appoint some suitable 5 person to perform the duties of the said office until the next 6 annual election, and until his successor is duly elected and qualified.

SECT. 103. The board of commissioners on the second 2 Tuesday of March annually, shall make a full and accurate 3 statement of the receipts and expenditures of the preceding 1800 cp. 136, Sect 4 year, which statement shall contain a full and correct de-21, &p. 77, Sect. 48 5 scription of each item, from whom, and on what account combined. 6 received, to whom paid, and on what account expended, 7 together with an accurate statement of the finances of the county at the end of the fiscal year, including all debts and 9 liabilities of every description, and the assets and the other 10 means to discharge the same, and have the same posted up. 11 at the court house door, and at two other public places in 12 their county, and published in some newspaper therein, if 13 there is one, for three successive weeks. Said board shall 14 at its meeting in September and January of each year, ex-15 amine and count all the funds in the treasury, and shall ex-16 amine the accounts and vouchers of the auditor and trea-17 surer, and make a written certificate of the condition of the 18 treasury, and file the same with the auditor, showing how 19 much money, and what kind, is in the treasury, and all 20 other matters in connection therewith.

Sect. 104. Said board have full power to examine and 2 settle all accounts of the receipts and expenditures of the 3 county, and shall have the care of the county property and 4 the management of the county funds and business, except in 1800-p. 139, sect. 5 cases otherwise provided for, but shall exercise no other 23. powers than such as are given by law. Such board shall, 7 in addition to the powers above enumerated, have power 8 to set off, organize, and vacate towns, and change the 9 boundaries thereof in their respective counties, to designate 10 the time and place of holding the first election therein, and 11 make all necessary orders for the disposition and preserva-12 tion of the records of any town which may be vacated by 13 said board; provided, that no town shall be vacated, nor 14 any town with an area of thirty-six sections or less be di-15 vided or have any part stricken therefrom without first

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16 submitting the question to a vote of the electors of the 17 town.

( 15 0 V 1860—p. 140, Sect. SECT. 105. The board of commissioners of any county, 2 not divided into towns, shall at their stated meeting in said 3 county in each year, divide their county into road and assessment districts, and appoint a person of suitable qualifications as assessor for each district, and one as overseer of 6 roads in each road district, who shall reside within the limits thereof, and shall respectively possess the powers and 8 perform the duties of a town assessor and a town overseer 9 of roads, and shall each hold his office for the term of one 10 year.

860 °p. 140, Sect.

SECT. 106. The commissioners of such county shall at their stated meetings in January and September, upon the petition of not less than ten legal voters, not residing within ten miles of any established election district, create and sestablish within said county an election district, at such point as will be most convenient for the persons so petitioning; but no place of holding elections shall be located in said election district within ten miles of any other place of holding elections previously established, nor shall the commissioners create any election district, except at the time of their stated meetings, and then only in compliance with the request of ten or more legal voters residing not less

1860—p. 140, Sect.

SECT. 107. The board of commissioners of such county 2 at their session last before an election, shall appoint judges 3 of election for each election district, and thereupon cause 4 notice to be posted in at least three of the most public plates in such county, containing a complete list of all such 6 election districts, with the names of the several judges of 7 election in each election district.

13 than ten miles from any established election district.

1860—p. 140, Sect.

SECT. 108. There shall be elected in each of such election districts, at the general state election, two justices of the peace and two constables, who shall hold their respective offices for the term of two years, and until their successors are elected and qualified, and shall take the oath of office and execute the bond required of town justices and constables, such bond approved by the chairman of the county board; and any vacancies that may occur in either of said offices, shall be filled by appointment of the county board.

1860—p. 140, Sect.

1 Sect. 109. The official oaths and other papers required 2 by law to be filed in the office of town clerk, shall in all 3 counties not divided into towns, be filed with the register

4 of deeds for such county.

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- 1 No county commissioner shall receive
- 2 any money or other valuable thing as a condition or in- New Section.
- 3 ducement to voting for any contract under consideration of
- 4 the board, nor shall he become a party to, or interested in,
- 5 directly or indirectly, any contract made by the board; and
- 6 every contract voted for or made contrary to the provisions
- 7 of this section is void.

#### TITLE IV.

#### COUNTY AUDITORS.

- SECT. 111. There shall be elected in each organized
- 2 county a county auditor, who shall hold his office for two 1860-19. 63, Sect. 12.
- 3 years from the first Monday of March next succeeding his
- election, and until his successor is elected and qualified, and
- 5 shall keep his office at the county seat.
- SECT. 112. Each county auditor, previous to entering
- 2 upon the duties of his office, shall give bond to the state of 1860-6, 80, 8001.2.
- 3 Minnesota with two or more sureties, to be approved by Amended.
- 4 the board of county commissioners in such penal sum, not
- less than two thousand dollars nor more than twenty thou-
- sand dollars as the said commissioners require, conditioned
- for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, and
- shall also take and subscribe the oath required by law to be
- 9 endorsed upon the said bond, which bond so endorsed shall
- 10 be filed and recorded in the office of register of deeds.
  - SECT. 113. If any county auditor fails to make settle-
  - ment, or pay over all moneys with which he stands charged, at
- 3 the time and in the manner prescribed by law, or misapplies 1800-5, 53, Sect. 3.
- any money which comes into his possession in the discharge
- of his official duties, the county commissioners shall com-
- mence an action against such auditor and his sureties, in the
- district court of said county, or other court of competent
- jurisdiction. Whenever an action is commenced against
- any delinquent county auditor in manner aforesaid, the
- 10 commissioners of such county may at their discretion, re-
- 11 move such auditor from office, and appoint some person to
- 12 fill the vacancy thereby created until the next general elec-
- 13 tion, and until a successor is elected and qualified.
- SECT. 114. An action may be brought against the
- county auditor and his sureties in the name of the state of Minnesota and for its use or for the use of any county or 1860-p.53, 8cct. 4. person injured by the misser I. . . .
- person injured by the misconduct in office of the auditor, or
- 5 by the omission of any duty required of him by law.

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( 1860—p. 53,1 Sect. 5.:

1 SECT. 115. If any person elected to the office of county 2 auditor shall not give bond and take the oath aforesaid, on 3 or before the first Monday of March next after his election, 4 it shall be deemed a refusal to serve.

t <sup>Y</sup> 1860—p. 54, Sect. 6 1 - Sect. 116. When from any cause a vacancy happens in 2 the office of county auditor, the board of county commissioners shall appoint some suitable person to fill such vacancy, and the person so appointed shall give bond, and 5 take and subscribe the oath aforesaid, and shall hold his 6 office until the next annual election, and until his successor 7 is elected and qualified.

2<sup>V</sup> 2860—p. 54, Sect. 7.

2 SECT. 117. When any county auditor, having no deputy, is unable, by reason of sickness, or from any other acuse, to perform the duties of his office, within the time specified by law for their performance, or when both the auditor and his deputy are so disabled by sickness or otherwise, the board of county commissioners shall appoint some suitable person to do and perform the duties of county auditor, during such disability, and may require of the person so appointed such bond and security for the faithful distocharge of the duties of the appointment, as they deem expedient.

1860—p. 54, Sect. 8.

1 Sect. 118. No county commissioner, county surveyor, 2 or county treasurer, is eligible to the office of county audi-3 tor.

, % 1865—p. 126, Sect. 2. Amended.

1 SECT. 119. County auditors are authorized to appoint 2 deputy auditors, by a certificate in writing, who shall, be3 fore entering upon the duties of their office, take and sub4 scribe the oath required by law, which oath shall be en5 dorsed on the certificate of appointment, and filed in the
6 office of the register of deeds. Such deputies are author7 ized to sign all papers and do all other things which county
8 auditors themselves may do. The county auditors shall be
9 responsible for the acts of their deputies, and may revoke
10 their appointment at any time. They shall require bonds
11 of their deputies in such amounts and with such sureties as
12 they may deem proper.

t "/ 1860—p. 54, Sect. 10. 1 Sect. 120. The county auditor shall, by virtue of his 2 office, be clerk of the board of county commissioners of his 3 county, and keep an accurate record of their official pro-4 ceedings, and carefully preserve all the documents, books, 5 records, maps, and other papers, required to be deposited 6 or kept in his office.

1 Sect. 121. On going out of office he shall deliver up

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2 to his successor in office all the moneys, books, records, 1800-p. 54, Sect. 11. 3 maps, documents, papers, vouchers, and other property in

4 his hands belonging to the county; and case of the death

5 of any county auditor, his personal representatives shall,

6 in like manner, deliver up all such books, moneys, records,

7 maps, documents, and other property.

SECT. 122. He shall keep an accurate account current 1860-p. 64, Soct 12. 2 with the treasurer of his county, and when any person shall

3 deposit with the auditor any receipt given by the treasurer

4 for any money paid into the treasury, the auditor shall file 5 such receipt in his office, and charge the treasurer with the

6 amount thereof.

Sect. 123. No claims against the county shall be paid 2 otherwise than upon the allowance of the county commis-3 sioners upon the warrant of the chairman of the board, at-

4 tested by the county auditor, except in those cases in which

5 the amount due is fixed by law, or is authorized to be fixed 6 by some other person or tribunal, in which cases the same

7 shall be paid upon the warrant of the county auditor, upon

8 the proper certificate of the person or tribunal allowing the

9 same; Provided, That no public money shall be disbursed 10 by the county commissioners, or any of them, but the same

11 shall be disbursed by the county treasurer, upon the war-

12 rant of the chairman of the board of county commissioners,

13 attested by the county auditor, specifying the name of the

14 party entitled to the same, on what account, and upon

15 whose allowance, if not fixed by law; and all such orders 16 shall be progressively numbered, and the number, date,

17 and amount of each, and the name of the person to whom

18 payable, and the purpose for which drawn, shall, at the

19 time of issuing the same, be entered in a book to be kept 20 by the auditor for that purpose.

Sect. 124. The county auditor shall receive an annual 2 salary to be fixed and determined by the board of county 1880-p. 84, Sect. 55.

3 commissioners, and shall receive no other fee or reward for 4 his services; but, if said auditor receives fees and perquis-

5 ites as provided by law, for the use of the county, he shall

6 keep an account thereof and pay the same into the county

7 treasury upon the order of the chairman of said board.

TITLE V.

COUNTY TREASURERS.

SECT. 125. In each county there shall be elected a coun-1

1860-p. 55, Sect. 13

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2 ty treasurer, whose term of office shall commence on the first 3 day of March next succeeding his election, and continue 4 for two years, and until a successor is elected and qualified.

SECT. 126. The county treasurer, before he enters upon 2 the duties of his office, shall take the oath required by law; 3 which oath shall be subscribed and certified on the back of 4 the certificate of his election, and filed and recorded in the 5 office of the register of deeds; and he shall give bond 6 with two or more sureties, freeholders, to be approved by 7 the board of county commissioners, and in such sum as they 8 direct, payable to the state of Minnesota, and conditioned 9 for the safe keeping and paying over according to law, of 10 all moneys which come into his hands for state, county, 11 township, school, road, bridge, poor, town and all other 12 purposes; which bond shall be filed and recorded in the 13 office of the register of deeds in said county.

Sect. 127. If any person elected to the office of county 2 treasurer, shall not give bond and take oath, as required by 3 the preceding section, on or before the fifteenth day of 4 January next succeeding his election, it shall be deemed a refusal to serve.

1860-p. 67, Sect. 4.

SECT. 128. In case of a vacancy in the office of county 2 treasurer, by death, resignation or otherwise, the board of 3 county commissioners shall appoint some suitable person, a 4 resident and qualified elector of their county, to be treasurer, 5 who shall file the bond and take the oath prescribed by sec-6 tion one hundred and twenty-six aforesaid, and shall hold 7 the office until a county treasurer is elected and qualified; Provided, That no person who holds the office of county 9 attorney, sheriff, register of deeds, county auditor, or coun-10 commissioner at the time of said election, shall be eligible 11 to said office of county treasurer.

SECT. 129. Each county treasurer shall keep his office 2 at the county seat, and shall keep a fair and accurate ac-3 count of all moneys by him received, showing the amount 4 thereof, the time when, by whom, and on what account paid. 5 He shall keep his books so as to show the amount received 6 and paid on account of separate and distinct funds, or appropriations which he shall exhibit in separate accounts; Provided, That no money received for taxes charged in the 9 duplicate of the current year, shall be entered by the treas-10 urer on his account with the county until he makes his an-

11 nual settlement with the county auditor and commissioners 12 in each year. The treasurer's books shall be provided at

13 the expense of the county.

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Secr. 130. The county treasurer shall receive all moneys to directed by law to be paid to him as such treasurer, and shall pay them out only upon the order of the proper authority. All moneys belonging to the county shall be paid out upon the order of the board of county commissioners, signed by the chairman thereof, and attested by the county auditor, and not otherwise. All moneys due the state, arising from the collection of taxes, or other sources, shall be paid upon the draft of the state auditor drawn in favor of the state treasurer, a duplicate copy of which the state auditor shall forward to the county auditor, who shall preserve the same and credit the county treasurer with the amount thereof.

1 Sect. 131. When any money is paid to the county
2 treasurer (excepting that paid on account of taxes charged 1800 \$\frac{1}{1000}\$ \$\frac{1}

1 SECT. 132. On the last day of February and tenth 2 day of October in each year, the treasurer shall exhibit his 3 accounts since the last settlement, balanced to said day, to 4 the board of commissioners and county auditor, and in the 5 event of the board of commissioners not being in session, 6 then to the county auditor alone, showing all the moneys 7 received and disbursed by him since his last settlement, and 8 the balance remaining in his hands. The books, accounts 9 and vouchers of the treasurer, and all moneys remaining in 10 the treasury, shall at all times be subject to the inspection 11 and examination of the board of county commissioners, or 12 any committee thereof.

SECT. 133. The county treasurer shall, on the last day c 3 2 of February and on the tenth day of October in each year, 1891-p. 28, Sect. 2. 3 make settlement with the board of commissioners, or with 4 the county auditor of his county, and at such settlement in 5 February return to said auditor the tax duplicate for the 6 current year, showing the amount which remains unpaid 7 thereon.

SECT. 134. The county treasurer shall, on the last day
of February, the fifteenth day of June, and the tenth day
of October in each year, make settlement with the auditor
for his county, and on the fifteenth day of March and the
first day of November in each year, the county treasurer
shall send by express, from the nearest public express
office, to the state treasurer, all moneys by him received for

9 state purposes, according to the last certificate of settle-10 ment with the auditor of his county, and the state auditor 11 is hereby authorized to draw upon any county treasurer, in 12 favor of the treasurer of state, for any money in the county 13 treasury belonging to the state, at any time after the June 14 settlement in each year, as herein provided for; and the 15 county treasurer shall pay such drafts to an amount equal 16 to the June certificate of settlement with the auditor of his 17 county, and the state treasurer shall give duplicate receipts 18 for the moneys so paid, one of which he shall deposit with 19 the state auditor. And the county treasurer is hereby re-20 quired to pay over to any town; city or school district trea-21 surer, any money found to be in the county treasury, at 22 either of the within named settlements, belonging to any 23 town, city, road, or special school fund, or other fund, in 24 the manner required by law.

7 1860—p. 76, Sect. 89. SECT. 135. If any county treasurer fails to make settlement with the state treasurer within fifteen days of the time herein prescribed, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred dollars, in addition to the penalties provided in the next section, to be recovered in a civil action, which forfeiture shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the common school fund; *Provided*, That the auditor of state at any time before an action is commenced, may for good cause shown, remit said penalty.

2 3 1860—p. 60, Sect. 14.

SECT. 136. If any county treasurer fails to make return or settlement, or to pay over all money with which he stands charged, at the time and in the manner prescribed by law, the county auditor, on receiving instructions for that purpose from the auditor of state, or from the county commissioners of his county, shall cause an action to be commenced against such treasurer and his sureties, in the district court of his county; and judgment may be rendered therein against them for the amount due from such treasurer with interest and a penalty of ten per centum thereon.

1860—p.70, Sect. 15.

1 Sect. 137. Whenever an action is commenced against 2 any delinquent county treasurer, as aforesaid, the county 3 commissioners may, at their discretion remove such treas-4 urer from office, and appoint some one to fill the vacancy 5 thereby created, as hereinbefore provided.

c ) 1860—p. 70, Sect. 16. 1 Sect. 138. The sheriff or other officer who collects any 2 money from a delinquent county treasurer or his sureties, 3 shall, within ten days after the collection thereof, pay the 4 same into the treasury of the county to which such money 5 is due.

SECT. 139. If any sheriff or other officer, to whom an 22 1861-p. 70, Sect. 17. execution against a delinquent treasurer and his sureties is delivered, neglects or refuses to execute the same, or neglects or refuses to pay over any money collected thereon, as required in the preceding section, he and his sureties 6 shall be liable to the same penalties, and shall be proceeded against in the same manner as is herein provided in relation

SECT. 140. If the deputy treasurer fails to pay over to 2 his principal, on demand, any taxes or other money by him 1890-p. 70, Sect. 18.
3 collected as deputy treasurer, the same proceedings may be 4 had against him and his sureties at the instance of the trea-

5 surer, as are by this title authorized against treasurers for

6 failing to make payment according to law.

to delinquent treasurers.

1 Sect. 141. The county commissioners may require the 2 county treasurer to give a new bond with sureties to be 1800-p.74, Sect. 31. 3 approved by them, whenever in the opinion of a majority Amended. 4 of said commissioners, the sureties, or any of them, on the 5 original bond are deemed insufficient for any cause, and 6 may also require a new bond with sureties to be approved 7 by them, whenever the penalty of such original bond is 8 deemed insufficient; provided, that when a new bond is 9 taken under the provisions of this section, the original bond 10 and the rights and liabilities of the parties thereto, incur-11 red or existing at or prior to the time of the approval and 12 acceptance of such new bond, shall not be anywise affected 13 or impaired.

SECT. 142. If any county treasurer fails or refuses to 2 give such additional bond, for and during the time of ten 1880-p.74, Sect. 32. 3 days from and after the day on which said commissioners 4 require said treasurer so to do, his office shall be consid-5 ered vacant, and another treasurer shall be appointed 6 agreeably to the provisions of section one hundred and 7 twenty-eight of this title.

1 Sect. 143. No county treasurer or deputy county trea-2 surershall either directly or indirectly contract for or purhcase 3 any orders or warrants issued by the county of which he 1860-p. 75, sect. 33. 4 is treasurer, or any state warrants or town orders, or of any 5 city, town or other body politic for which he is the collect-6 or of taxes, at any discount whatever, upon the sum due 7 on such orders or warrants; and if any treasurer or deputy 8 treasurer directly or indirectly contracts for, purchases, or 9 procures any such orders or warrants, at any discount 10 whatever upon the sum for which the same are respectively 11 issued, he shall not be allowed on settlement the amount 12 of said warrants or orders, or any part thereof, and shall

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13 also forfeit the whole amount due on such warrants or or-14 ders, and shall also forfeit the sum of one hundred dollars 15 for each and every breach of the provisions of this sec-16 tion, to be recovered in a civil action at the suit of the 17 state for the use of the county. And the treasurer of state 18 or the person to whom the county treasurer of any county 19 is required to return the state, county, township, city, 20 town, village, school or road tax, is hereby respectively 21 prohibited from receiving from any county treasurer any 22 orders, warrants or bonds in payment of taxes collected by 23 him or his deputies, unless with said orders, warrants or 24 bonds, said county treasurer shall file his affidavit with the 25 treasurer of state or the person entitled to receive said tax. 26 stating therein that all such orders, warrants and bonds 27 were received at their par value; and whoever swears 28 falsely in such affidavit is guilty of perjury, and upon con-29 viction shall be punished by confinement in the state prison 30 not more than three years.

3 م<u>.</u> 1860–p. 75, Sect. 34. SECT. 144. If any county treasurer loans any money belonging to his county, with or without interest, or uses the same for his own individual purpose, he shall forfeit and pay for every such offence a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars nor less than five hundred dollars, to be recovered in a civil action at the suit of the state, for the use of the county, city, town or body politic injured.

دع 1861—p. 48. Sect. 11.

Sect. 145. The treasurer and auditor of every county conjointly shall make out and cause to be published in at 3 least one newspaper of general circulation in the county in 4 and for which they are such treasurer and auditor, a state-5 ment of the exact amount of money remaining in the treas-6 ury of such county on the last day of February and tenth 7 day of October in every year, and oftener if the commissioners of the county direct, particularly specifying in such 9 statement the amount belonging to each particular fund, 10 together with all other property, bonds, securities, claims, 11 assets and effects belonging to the county, in the custody 12 or under the control of such treasurer. Such statement 13 shall be signed by said county treasurer and auditor, and 14 the expense of such publication shall be paid out of the 15 county treasury, on warrants drawn by the chairman of the 16 board of county commissioners, and attested by the county 17 auditor, particularly specifying the same; and if at any 18 time it is found that such statement was untrue or false, in 19 regard to the amount of money or other property then on hand 20 and in the treasury, the said treasurer and said auditor 21 making the same shall, without regard to lapse of time, be 22 deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof 23 shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred 24 dollars nor more than five hundred dollars.

2 in their official capacity, prosecute to final judgment and 1800-p.70, Sect. 20.

3 execution, all actions on bonds notes.

3 execution, all actions on bonds, notes, or other securities

4 given to them or their predecessors in office, and all ac-

5 tions commenced by their predecessors in office, and pend-6 ing at their removal therefrom.

Sect. 147. The county treasurer when any order drawn on him as treasurer, by the auditor of the county, signed 3 by the chairman of the board of county commissioners, is 1839-p.71, 50ct.21.

presented for payment, shall, if there is money in the treas-

5 ury for that purpose, redeem the same, and shall write on

6 the face of such order "redeemed," the date of the redemp-7 tion, and sign his name thereto. County orders properly

8 drawn and attested shall be entitled to preference as to pay-9 ment, according to the time when presented; and upon the

10 receipt of money into the treasury, the treasurer shall ap-

11 propriate and set apart the money necessary for the pay-

12 ment of the county orders so presented.

SECT. 148. He shall, on the last day of February and the 1863-p. 22, Sect. 22, 2 10th day of October, in each year, deposit with the auditor in part. 3 of his county, all orders on the treasury by him redeemed, 4 and take the auditor's receipt therefor, the said orders being 5 at that time, and in presence of the treasurer, so far can-6 celled by the auditor as to prevent their being again issued.

SECT. 149. Express charges shall be paid for forward-2 ing state moneys, and mileage allowed to each county treas-1863-p. 23, Sect. 2. 3 urer for traveling fees in going to and returning from the 4 nearest express office, in order to send by express to the 5 state treasurer, the moneys received by him for state pur-.6 poses, at the rate of ten cents per mile, to be computed by 7 the auditor of state, according to the distance on the near-8 est post route.

SECT. 150. Each county treasurer shall be allowed at the 1 2 time of his settlement, for his services, three per cent. on 1863-p. 23, Sect. 3; 4 other rate of compensation is fixed by law, and shall be combined a 66 credited with the sum paid by him for ration. 5 credited with the sum paid by him for printing such adver-6 tisements as he is required to publish, at the rates pre-7 scribed by law, and with the sum paid by him for blank 8 books and stationery, necessarily used in his office; Pro-9 vided, That no compensation shall be allowed to the treas-10 urer on any moneys received from his predecessor in office, 11 or his legal representatives; Provided further, That the 12 county treasurer shall receive for his services in counties

13 where the annual tax collected is ten thousand dollars or less, 14 five per cent.; on all sums collected over ten thousand and

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- 15 less than twenty thousand dollars, four per cent.; and when
- 16 the amount collected is over twenty thousand dollars, three 17 per cent. thereon. *Provided also*, That the county treas-
- 18 urers shall receive one per cent. as fees, for receiving and
- 19 disbursing all moneys on account of the sales of school
- 20 lands, or the payment of interest on school lands.
- 21 for offering for sale all tracts of land in pursuance of sec-
- 22 tion twenty-three, of an act entitled "an act prescribing the
- 23 duties of county auditors," approved March 6th, 1860, they
- 24 shall receeive from the county three dollars per day, for a
- 25 time not to exceed eight days.

- SECT. 151. Each county treasurer on going out of office shall deliver to his successer in office all the public money,
- books, accounts, papers and documents in his possession; and
- 4 in case of the death of any county treasurer, his legal repre-
- sentatives shall in like manner deliver up all such moneys,
- books, accounts, papers and documents as come into their
- possession.

#### TITLE VI.

#### REGISTERS OF DEEDS.

# C. S. p. 156, Sect. 19.

Sect. 152. In each county there shall be elected a register of deeds whose term of office shall be two years and until his successor is elected and qualified.

Sect. 153. Every register of deeds, before he enters 2 upon the duties of his office, shall take and subscribe the 3 oath prescribed by law; which said oath shall be endorsed on the certificate of his election or appointment, recorded 5 in a book kept for the purpose in his office, and filed in the office of the clerk of the district court of the county, or if 7 there is no such officer, with the clerk of the district court 8 of the county to which his county is attached for judicial 9 purposes; and he shall also give a bond, with good and suffi-10 cient sureties, in the penal sum of one thousand dollars, to 11 be approved by the board of commissioners of his county, 12 conditioned that he will faithfully and impartially fulfill the 13 duties of his office.

SECT. 154. Every register of deeds, at the expiration 2 of the term for which he was elected, or appointed, on ap-3 plication by his successor, duly elected or appointed, and 4 qualified as aforesaid, shall deliver over promptly, all books, records, papers, and other property pertaining to his office; 6 and if, on such application, he refuses to surrender up all

- 7 books, records, and other property and papers belonging
- 8 to said office, he shall forfeit and pay to the use of the pro-
- 9 per county, fifty dollars for each and every day he so re-
- 10 fuses, which may be recovered in an action brought upon
- 11 his official bond.
  - Sect. 155. Every register of deeds shall keep two
  - 2 books, to be denominated respectively the grantor's and
  - 3 the grantee's reception book, each page of which shall be
  - 4 divided into seven columns in the following form, viz:

Date of Recep- tion, year, day, hour and minute.		Grantee.		To whom de- livered after record.	Book and page where recorded and kind of instrument.
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Date of Recep- tion, year, day, hour and minute.	Grantee.	Grantor.	Where situated.	To whom de- livered after record.	Book and page where recorded and kind of instrument

- 5 The register shall enter in each of said books, in the order of and manner aforesaid, as soon as the same are received, all c.s.p. 156, Sect. 22; deeds and other instruments left for record, and all copies combined a manner aforesaid.

- 8 left as cautions or notices of liens, authorized by law to be
- recorded, and when mortgages are discharged in whole or
- 10 in part, by an acknowledgment of satisfaction written on
- 11 the margin of the page where the mortgage is recorded, the
- 12 register shall note the fact by writing the word "satisfied,"
- 13 or "satisfied in part," as the case may be, across the entry
- 14 in the reception books, where the instrument satisfied is en-
- 15 tered, and the other particulars in their appropriate col-
- 16 umns. The pages of each of the said reception books shall
- 17 be lettered in alphabetical order, a convenient number of
- 18 consecutive pages being allotted to each letter of the alpha-
- 19 bet, and each and every entry made in the said books as
- 20 aforesaid shall be made in the grantor's reception book un-21 der the letter which is the initial letter of the grantor's sur-
- 22 name; and in the grantee's reception book, under the letter
- 23 which is the initial letter of the grantee's surname; and all
- 24 the entries under each letter shall appear upon said books
- 25 consecutively, and in the order as to time in which the in-26 struments were received. The said register shall make an
- 27 entry in the record immediately after the copy of every in-
- 28 strument recorded, specifying the time of the day, month,
- 29 and year, when the same was recorded, and shall also cer-
- 30 tify upon each instrument recorded by him, the time when
- 31 it was recorded, and the book and page in which it was
- 32 recorded, and every instrument shall be considered as re-
- 33 corded at the time so noted.
- Sect. 156. The register shall exhibit, free of charge,
- 2 during the hours when his office is, or is required by law to
- 3 be open, any of the records of his office or papers in his

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C. S. p. 157, Sect. 22 last part. 4 official custody, to the inspection of any person demanding 5 to see the same. But no register of deeds is bound to re-6 cord any deed or mortgage or other instrument unless the 7 fees therefor are tendered him in advance.

C. S. p. 157, Sect. 23.

1 Sect. 157. He shall keep suitable books, and record at 2 large and in full, word for word, any and all instruments 3 left with him for record, keeping separate books of deeds, 4 mortgages, and other instruments. He shall also keep in 5 separate books an alphabetical index, wherein he shall record, under the proper letter of the alphabet, the name of 7 each grantor and grantee in any deed, mortgage, or other 8 instrument left with him for record.

c 7 C. S. p. 157, Sect. 1 Sect. 158. He may appoint a deputy register in writ-2 ing, who shall, before entering upon the duties of his of-3 fice, take and subscribe an oath faithfully to perform the 4 duties of his office, which oath shall be endorsed on the 5 appointment, and recorded in the office of the register of 6 deeds. Registers of deeds shall be responsible for the acts 7 of their deputies, and may revoke their appointment at 8 pleasure.

C. S. p. 345 Sect. 1.

SECT. 159. The register of deeds, on the application of 2 any person residing in his county, shall record a description 3 of the marks or brands, with which such person may be 4 desirous of marking his horses, cattle, sheep or hogs; but 5 the same description shall not be recorded for more than 6 one resident of the same county.

C. S. p. 158, Sect. 29.

1 Sect. 160. The register of deeds shall make out, under 2 his certificate and seal, and deliver to any person requesting 3 the same, a full and perfect abstract of the title to any real 4 estate, together with all incumbrances, liens and instruments in any manner affecting such title as the same appears 6 of record or on file in his office, on being paid his lawful 7 fees therefor.

C. S. p. 158, Sect. 30.

SECT. 161. No register of deeds shall record any conveyance, mortgage, or other instrument by which any interest in real estate is or may be in any way affected, unless the same is duly signed and executed and acknowledged, according to law; and any such officer offending herein, shall be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction be subject to fine and imprisoment, and liable in damages to the party injured, in a civil action.

C. S. p. 158, Sect. 31. Amended.

1 SECT. 162. Registers of deeds are authorized and em-2 powered to administer oaths, and take acknowledgments of 3 deeds, conveyances, and other instruments in writing. But

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- 4 no deputy register shall have power to perform any of the 5 acts authorized by this section.
- SECT. 163. Every register of deeds shall have an offi-c.s.p.158, sect. 32. 2 cial seal and affix the same to all documents requiring his Amended. 3 official signature

3 official signature.

#### TITLE VII.

#### SHERIFFS.

SECT. 164. There shall be elected in each county a c 7 criff who shall hold his office for two years and until c.s. p. 161, Sect. 2 sheriff, who shall hold his office for two years, and until 47. 3 his successor is elected and qualified.

1 Sect. 165. Every person elected or appointed to the 2 office of sheriff, shall, before he enters on the duties of said office, give bond to the state of Minnesota in the penal sum c.s.p. 161, Sect. 48. 4 of five thousand dollars, with two or more sureties to be 5 approved by the board of commissioners, and the approval 6 endorsed thereon, conditioned that the said sheriff shall 7 well and faithfully, in all things, perform and execute the 8 duties of sheriff according to law, during his continuance in 9 office, without fraud, deceit, or oppression, which bond 10 shall be filed and recorded in the office of register of deeds 11 of his county. He shall also take the oath required by law, 12 which shall be subscribed to and certified by the officer ad-13 ministering the same, on the back of his certificate of elec-14 tion, and filed and recorded in the office of register of deeds

SECT. 166. If any person elected to the office of sheriff c. 5. p. 161, sect. 2 does not give the bond and take the oath prescribed in the 49. Amended. 3 preceding section on or before the tenth day of January 4 next succeeding his election, it shall be deemed a refusal

SECT. 167. The sheriff shall keep and preserve the peace in his county, for which purpose he is empowered to 3 call to his aid such persons or power of his county as he c. S. p. 161, Sect. 53.
4 deems necessary. He shall also pursue and apprehend all Amended. 5 felons, execute all warrants, writs, and other process from 6 a justice of the peace, district court, or other competent tri-5 bunal, directed to him by legal authority; shall attend 8 upon the terms of the district court, keep his office at the

9 county seat, and perform all the duties pertaining to his i() office.

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15 aforesaid.

5 to serve.

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C. S. p. 162, Sect. 54.

1 SECT. 168. In case of a vacancy in the office of sheriff 2 by death, resignation, or otherwise, the board of county 3 commissioners shall forthwith appoint some suitable person 4 to be sheriff of the county until the next general election, 5 and until a successor is elected and qualified.

e ' | C. S. p. 162, Sect.

1 Sect. 169. Every sheriff to whom any process is de-2 livered in the county where it is to be executed, shall, if 3 required by the person delivering the same, give to such 4 person a certificate, under his hand, without charge, where-5 in the names of the parties and the day of delivering the 6 process shall be mentioned.

C. S. p. 162, Sect.

Sect. 170. If any sheriff fails to settle with and pay 2 over to the person entitled thereto any money he may have 3 collected or received by virtue of any execution, process, 4 judgment, order or decree, such person may proceed against 5 the sheriff in a summary manner before the district court 6 by an order upon the sheriff to show cause why he should 7 not pay over such money; and upon the hearing thereof, 8 the court shall order such sheriff to pay to the person enguited thereto, the amount found due with twenty per cent10 um thereon as damages for such failure, and may commit 11 such sheriff to the common jail until the order is complied 12 with; Provided, That nothing herein contained shall pre13 vent such person from proceeding against such sheriff and 14 his sureties on his official bond.

c. s. p. 163, Sect. 64. Amended. SECT. 171. If any sheriff neglects to make due return 2 of any writ, or other process, delivered to him to be executed, or is guilty of any misconduct in relation to the execution thereof, he may be proceeded against by the party 5 interested in the manner provided in the preceding section, 6 and in addition to requiring the performance of the duty 7 neglected or the correction of the injury done, the court may 8 impose upon such sheriff a fine for the use of the county, 9 not exceeding two hundred dollars; Provided, That noth-10 ing herein shall prevent the person injured from maintaining 11 an action for damages against the sheriff or upon his official bond.

c. s. p. 162, Sect.

- SECT. 172. No sheriff or other officer shall directly or indirectly ask, demand or receive for any services or acts by him performed in pursuance of any official duty, any more fees than are allowed by law, under penalty of forfeiting for such offense to the party aggrieved treble the sum 6 so demanded or received, to be recovered in a civil action.
- 1 Sect. 173. No sheriff shall become the purchaser, or 2 procure any person to become the purchaser for him, of any

3 property, real or personal, by him exposed to sale, by vir- c.s.p. 162, Sect. 58. tue of any execution or other process; and all such pur-5 chases made by any sheriff, or any other person in his behalf, 6 shall be absolutely void.

Sect. 174. Every sheriff going out of office by expira-2 tion of his term, and having any attachment, execution or other process in his hands, which he has begun to execute, 1862-p. 17, Sect. 1. 4 by a levy upon property, shall be authorized to proceed 5 thereon, and execute the same, and to sell and give title to 6 the property so levied on, in the same manner as if still in office; Provided, That if such late sheriff dies, becomes 8 insane, removes from the state, or is in any manner unable 9 to act, the sheriff in office shall, upon the delivery to him of 10 such attachment, execution or other process, together with 11 a certificate, return, or memorandum of the action of the 12 late sheriff, under the same, if any, complete the execution 13 thereof in the same manner, and with the like effect, as if 14 such process had been originally delivered to him, and give 15 title to any property solvered on by such late sheriff, and 16 the return of such succeeding theriff upon any such process, 17 or his deed given in pursuance of the execution of any such 18 process, shall be prima facia evidence of the disability of 19 the late sheriff to complete the execution of such process or 20 give such deed.

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1 Sect. 175. The sheriff shall receive and safely keep in 27 2 prison all persons legally committed thereto, and shall not 52: Amended. let out of prison any person so in his custody, until discharged by due course of law, under penalty of being punished by fine and imprisonment: Provided, That if there is no jail for the confinement of prisoners in the county, or the jail 7 is insufficient, the sheriff, with the approbation of the judge 8 of the district court, shall employ such means as may be necessary for the safe keeping of all prisoners committed to 10 his custody.

1 Sect. 176. Any sheriff or other officer, who legally ar- c7 rests any person in any county, may pass across and through 62. Amended. Sect. 176. Any sheriff or other officer, who legally ar-3 such parts of any other counties as he deems necessary to 4 convey the person arrested to the place where he is to be 5 conveyed, according to the command of the process by vir-6 tue of which such arrest is made.

SECT. 177. No sheriff, deputy sheriff, or coroner, shall 2 appear or practice as an attorney, solicitor, or counsellor, c. s. p. 163, sect. 3 in any court, nor draw or fill up any process, pleading, or 63. Amended. 4 proceeding, for any party in any action, nor with intent to be 5 employed in the collection of any demand, or the service of 6 any process, advise or counsel any person to commence any

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7 action or proceeding, nor shall any sheriff or deputy sheriff 8 be eligible to any other civil office, and either of said offi-8 cers for a violation of any of the provisions of this section, 9 shall forfeit a sum not exceeding fifty dollars to be recov-

9 shall forfeit a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, to be recov-10 ered by the county in a civil action.

C. S. p. 161, Sect.

1 Sect. 178. Every sheriff shall appoint, under his hand 2 and seal, a sufficient number of persons as deputy sheriffs, 3 for whose acts he shall be responsible, and whom he may 4 remove at pleasure. Each deputy shall, before entering on 5 his official duties, take the oath required by law, which oath 6 and appointment shall be filed and recorded in the registry 7 of deeds of the proper county.

New.

1 Secr. 179. The sheriff shall settle with and pay over 2 to the board of county commissioners, at their regular ses-3 sions, and as often as they require, all money collected or 4 received by him for the use of or belonging to the county.

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COUNTY ATTORNEYS.

25 1860-p. 44, sect. 60 2 ized for judicial purposes, a county attorney, who shall hold 3 his office for the term of two years, and until his successor 4 is elected and qualified; such county attorney shall, before 5 he enters upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe 6 the oath required by law, and shall also execute a bond in 7 the penal sum of one thousand dollars, to the board of coun-8 ty commissioners with one or more sufficient sureties, to be 9 approved by said commissioners, conditioned, that he will 10 faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of county attorney, and pay over without delay, to the county treasurer 12 all moneys which come into his hands, by virtue of his of-13 fice, which bond, together with his oath of office shall be 14 deposited in the office of the clerk of the district court of 15 the proper county.

1860—p. 95, Sect. 2; 1864—p. 122, Sect. 4, combined. SECT. 181. The county attorney shall appear in all cases where the county is a party, and prosecute or defend for the county, as the case may be; give opinions and advice to the county commissioners or any other officers of said county, upon request of such commissioners or officers, upon all matters in which the county is or may be interested, or in relation to the official duties of any of said officers; attend on all terms of the district court for such county, and all other courts having criminal jurisdiction, and attend all

10 preliminary examinations of criminals, when the magistrate 11 before whom such examination is held, shall request his at-12 tendance, and furnish him with a copy of the complaint; 13 attend before the grand jury of such county upon the spe-14 cial request of said jury, and examine witnesses in their 15 presence; he shall give them advice in any legal matter 16 before them, and issue subpænas and process to bring in 17 witnesses before them, or any magistrate before whom he is 18 conducting an examination, and shall attend all coroner's 19 inquests at the request of the coroner, and shall draw all 20 bills of indictment and all presentments found by the grand 21 jury of his county, and shall prosecute all such presentments 22 and indictments to their final determination in the district County attorneys, whenever requested by the at-24 torney general, shall appear for the state in their respective 25 counties, in any cause instituted by him, or before the land 26 offices, in any case of applications to pre-empt or locate any 27 of the public lands claimed by this state, and assist him in 28 the trial and preparation of any such case.

2 reward from or on behalf of any prosecutor or other indi-1800-p. 95, sect. 8.
3 vidual for services in any 3 vidual, for services in any prosecution or business to which 4 it is his duty to attend.

Sect. 183. Whenever there is no county attorney for the county, or when he is absent at the session of the district court for the county, the court shall appoint, if necessary, by an order to be entered in the minutes of the court, 1860-p. 1880-p. 1 sary, by an order to be entered in the influtes of the court, 1802-p. 88, Sect. some suitable person to perform for such term of court the combined. c 3/ duties required by law to be performed by the county attorney; and the person so appointed shall thereupon be vested with all the powers of such county attorney, for that purpose, and shall receive a reasonable compensation for his 10 services, to be allowed by the board of commissioners, and 11 paid out of the treasury of such county; which amount

12 shall be deducted from the salary of the county attorney.

Sect. 184. Every county attorney, on or before the first 2 day of January in each year, shall make out and file in the 1800-p. 35, sect. 5. 3 office of the county auditor, an account in writing, under 4 oath, of all moneys received by him during the preceding year, by virtue of his office, for fines, recognizances, forfeitures, penalties, or costs, and he shall specify in such account the name of the person from whom he received such moneys, the particular amount paid by such person, and the cause for which each payment was made, and shall at the 10 same time, or previously, pay over such money to the 11 county treasurer, and take a receipt and duplicate for the 12 same, and file the duplicate with the county auditor.

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.30 1862—p. 67, Sects. 1 & 3 combined.

Sect. 185. He shall, on or before the fifteenth day of November of each year, prepare and transmit in such form as the attorney general prescribes, a report of the number, character and result of all criminal cases prosecuted by him during the current year, together with the cost of each of said prosecutions to the county or state, and the amount of any fines or penalties collected, and if he neglects to do this, he shall forfeit and pay for the use of the county, the sum of ten dollars, to be recovered before a justice of the peace in the name of the state, at the instance of the attorney general.

2 ع 800--- 93, sect. 6. SECT. 186. When the county attorney refuses or neg-2 lects to account for and pay over the moneys received by 3 him, the county auditor shall cause an action to be institu-4 ted upon the bond of such county attorney, for the recovery 5 of the money so received and unpaid by him, and for 6 damages in failing to account.

New Section.

SECT. 187. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the office of county attorney, the board of county commissioners at their • 3 first session thereafter, shall appoint some suitable person 4 to be county attorney, who shall take the oath and file the 5 bond required of the county attorney, and shall hold his office until the next general election, and until his successor 7 is elected and qualified.

#### TITLE IX.

#### JUDGES OF PROBATE.

c. s. p. 165, Sect. 76.

SECT. 188. Every judge of probate shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, execute a bond to the
county commissioners in the penal sum of one thousand
dollars, with one or more sufficient sureties, to be approved
by the said commissioners, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties required of him by law, and for the
faithful application of all moneys and effects that may come
into his hands in the execution of the duties of his office;
and take the oath required by law, which bond and oath of
office shall be filed and recorded in the office of the register
of deeds.

C. S. p. 165, Sect. 77. Amended. 1 Sect. 189. The judge of probate shall keep his office at 2 the county seat, and keep a record of all orders, decrees 3 and other official acts made or done by him, which record 4 shall be open to the inspection of all persons without charge.

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SECT. 190. Whenever the term of office of any judge c.s. p. 105, Sect. 79. 2 of probate expires, he shall deliver over to his successor in

3 office, all books and papers relating to said office of judge

4 of probate, in his possession, and upon failure to do so

5 within five days after demand by his successor, he shall be

6 liable to indictment and punishment by fine not exceeding

7 one thousand, nor less than one hundred dollars.

1 SECT. 191. Every judge of probate may appoint a clerk c.s.p. 405, Sects. 2 who shall perform all the duties assigned him by law or 47, 48 & 49, com-

3 said judge; such appointment shall be in writing, signed bined & amended.

4 by the judge and filed in the office of the clerk of the dis-

5 trict court of the county in which the same is made.

SECT. 192. Before entering upon the duties of his office, such clerk shall take the oath required by law, and execute c. s. p. 405, Sect. 200. Amended.

3 a bond to the county commissioners, with one or more

sureties to be approved by them, in the penal sum of five

hundred dollars, conditioned for the faithful discharge of

6 his duties; said oath and bond shall be filed and recorded

7 in the office of the register of deeds and an action may be

8 maintained on said bond by any party aggrieved by a viola-

9 tion of the condition thereof.

#### TITLE X.

#### COURT COMMISSIONERS.

SECT. 193. There shall be chosen in each organized 1800 - 203, Sect. 1. 2 county, one person who shall be called a court commission-

3 er and hold his office for the term of three years, and until

4 his successor is elected and qualified.

SECT. 194. Court commissioners shall be men learned 1860-p. 203, Sect. 2. 2 in the law; and shall have and may exercise the judicial Amended.

3 powers of a judge of the district court at chambers.

Sect. 195. Before entering upon his duties each court 2 commissioner shall execute to the board of county commis- c 1/2 3 sioners, a bond in the sum of two thousand dollars with Amended.

surety to be approved by the board, conditioned for the

faithful performance of the duties required of him by law,

and shall take, and subscribe, an oath of office, which with

his bond shall be filed and recorded in the office of the re-

gister of deeds.

SECT. 196. The court commissioner shall keep his office 1860-p. 203, sect. 4: ? at the county seat, and keep a record of all proceedings had

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3 before him, in books procured at the expense of the county, 4 which books shall be delivered to his successor in office.

, 1/3 1860—p. 203, Sect. 6, last part.

1 SECT. 197. Nothing in this title shall prevent the same 2 person from holding at the same time the office of judge of 3 probate and that of court commissioner.

2/2 1862—p. 100, Sect. 1. SECT. 198. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the office of court commissioner, the judge of the district court for the district in which such county is situated, shall appoint some competent person to fill such vacancy, who shall give such bond and take such oath as is by law required of court commissioners and who shall hold his office until the next general election, and until his successor is elected and qual-lified.

#### TITLE XI.

#### COUNTY SURVEYORS.

. J 7 C. S. p.167, Sect. 83. SECT. 199. There shall be elected in each county a surveyor, who shall hold his office for two years and until his successor is elected and qualified; he shall reside in the county for which he is elected, and shall, previous to his entering upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe the cath required by law, and give bond to the board of county commissioners in the sum of five hundred dollars, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties.

C. S. p. 167, Sects. 84 & 85 combined. 1 SECT. 200. The said surveyor may appoint such num-2 ber of deputies as he thinks proper, who shall severally 3 take an oath, for the faithful performance of whose duties 4 he shall be responsible, and by himself or one of his depu-5 ties shall execute any survey which may be required by or-6 der of any court, or upon application of any individual or 7 corporation.

1 Sect. 201. The said surveyor shall keep a correct and 2 fair record of all surveys made by him or his deputies, in 3 a book to be provided by the county commissioners for 4 that purpose, which he shall transmit to his successor in 5 office; he shall also number such surveys progressively, 6 and shall preserve a copy of the field notes and calculations 7 of each survey, endorsing thereon its proper number, a 8 copy of which, and also a fair and accurate plat, together 9 with a certificate of survey, shall be furnished by said sur-10 veyor to any person requiring the same.

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SECT. 202. In all surveys the courses shall be expressed c.s.p. 107, Sect. 39. 2 according to the true meridian, and the variation of the 3 magnetic meridian from the true meridian shall be expressed 4 on the plat, with the year, month and day of the same.

Sect. 203. Whenever a surveyor is required to make 2 a subdivision of a section, as established by the United 3 States survey, he shall proceed as follows, whether the section is fractional or not, excepting on the northern and western tier of sections of those townships whose northern 2. Amended. boundary is a "standard parallel," or "correction line," hereinafter provided for: commencing at either quarter section corner of the section, he shall run direct lines to the opposite quarter section corner of the section, and at the 10 intersection of said lines he shall establish a common cen-11 tre therefor, at which a post marked "4 S." on opposite 12 sides, with a suitable instrument, shall be firmly fixed and 13 driven into the ground, and if practicable two bearing trees 14 shall be marked in the same manner, and their course and 15 distance from the said post noted in the plat and field notes. 16 In those townships whose northern boundary is a "stand-17 ard parallel," or "correction line," but on which no quar-18 ter section posts are established for the sections adjoining 19 it on the south by the United States surveyors, the county 20 surveyor, whenever required to subdivide such sections, 21 shall establish a quarter post on such "standard parallel" 22 or "correction line," equi-distant from the section posts es-23 tablished at the intersection of the parallel by the section 24 lines south; such quarter post to be marked only on the 25 side facing the south, and (when practicable) two bearing 26 trees south of such line marked and their course and dis-27 tance from such quarter post duly noted; the subdivision 28 of such sections may then be proceeded with as hereinbe-29 fore directed.

Sect. 204. Any less subdivision than a quarter section 2 shall be made in the following manner. If the quarter sec-3 tion is not fractional, as follows: Establish a course on the 1861-C. S. S., Sect. 3. 4 boundaries or lines marking the quarter section to be divid- Amended. 6 ed equi-distant from the adjacent corners of the same, and 7 from such corners run direct lines to the opposite corners. 8 and establish a common centre of the quarter section at the 9 intersection thereof. Any subdivision of the fractional 10 north east and north west quarter sections on the north 11 boundary, and of the fractional north west and south west 12 quarter sections, on the west boundary of townships, shall 13 be made by ascertaining the distance by measurement from 14 the quarter section posts to the north and west boundaries 15 respectively, then as the distance returned in the United 16 States field notes, or plats from the quarter section corner

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- 17 to the north and west boundaries respectively, is to the dis-
- 18 tance of the same found by measurement, so is the distance
- 19 returned in such notes or plats as the width of the south
- 20 half of the north east quarter and the east half of the north
- 21 west quarter and south west quarter respectively, to the
- 22 required measurment of the same.
- 1861—p. 51, Sect. 4.
- 1 Sect. 205. If the quarter section, or section post, as 2 orignally fixed by the United States survey, is destroyed, 3 the surveyor shall fix a new post on such land as he may be 4 called upon to survey, with similar marks to those placed 5 on like posts by the United States surveyors, graved therefore; said posts to be fixed in accordance with the government field notes.
- C. S. p. 168, Sect. 90. Amended.
- 1 Sect. 206. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the office of 2 county surveyor the board of county commissioners, at their 3 first session thereafter, shall appoint some suitable person 4 to fill such vacancy until the next general election, and until a successor is elected and qualified.

#### TITLE XII.

#### CORONERS.

C. S. p. 168, Sect. 98. Amended.

- 1 Sect. 207. A coroner shall be elected in each organized 2 county for the term of two years and until his successor is 3 elected and qualified, who shall before he enters upon the 4 duties of his office, give bond to the board of county com-5 missioners in such penal sum, not less than five hundred 6 dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars, with such sufficient sureties, not less than two, as the said board directs 8 and approves, the condition of which bond shall be, in substance, the same as that required to be given by the sheriff, 10 except in the description of the office, and take the oath re-11 quired by law; which bond and oath shall be filed and re-12 corded in the office of register of deeds.
- C. S. p. 168, Sect. 94
- 1 SECT. 208. When there is a vacancy in the office of 2 sheriff the coroner shall exercise the powers and duties of 3 said office until a sheriff is elected, and qualified; and when 4 the sheriff for any cause is committed to the jail of his county, 5 said coroner shall be keeper thereof during the time the 6 sheriff remains a prisoner therein.

c. s. p. 163, sect. 65.

1 Sect. 209. Whenever the coroner executes the office of 2 sheriff, he shall perform all the duties, and be subject to all 3 liabilities and penalties imposed by law upon a sheriff duly 4 elected and qualified.

SECT. 210. Every coroner shall serve and execute process of every kind, and perform all other duties of the sheriff, when the sheriff is a party in the action, or whenever
affidavit is made and filed, as provided in the succeeding
section; and in all such cases he shall exercise the same
powers, and proceed in the same manner as prescribed for
the sheriff in the performance of similar duties.

1 Sect. 211. Whenever any party, his agent or attorney, c. s. p.deo, sect. 2 makes and files with the clerk of the district court, an affi- ss. 3 davit, stating that he believes the sheriff of such county will 4 not, by reason either of partiality, or prejudice, consanguinity or interest, faithfully perform his duties in any action commenced, or about to be commenced, the clerk shall 7 direct all process in such action to the coroner.

1 SECT. 212. Coroners shall take inquest upon view of c. s. b. 100, sect. 20.
2 the dead body of such persons only as are supposed to have
3 come to their death by violence, and not when the death
4 is believed to have been, and was evidently, occasioned by
5 casualty.

1 Sect. 213. As soon as the coroner has notice of the 2 dead body of any person supposed to have come to his c. s. p. 109, sect. 3 death by violence, found or lying within his county, he shall 100. Amended. 4 make his warrant to the constable of the election district 5 where such dead body is, or one of the adjoining election 6 districts in the same county, requiring such constable forth-7 with to summon six good and lawful men of the county, to 8 appear before such coroner at the time and place expressed 9 in such warrant; and the warrant may be in substance as 10 follows:

11 State of Minnesota, \ Ss. The State of Minnesota.

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SECT. 214. The constable to whom such warrant is di-2 rected and delivered, shall forthwith execute the same, and c. s. p. 100, sect. 3 shall, at the time mentioned in the warrant, repair to the 4 place where the dead body is, and make return thereof, and 5 of his doings thereon, to the coroner, under his hand; and 6 any constable who unnecessarily neglects or fails to execute

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7 or return such warrant, shall forfeit the sum of five dollars, 8 and if any person summoned as a juror fails to appear 9 without a reasonable excuse therefor, he shall forfeit the sum 10 of five dollars, each of which forfeitures may be recovered 11 to the use of the county by civil action, to be brought by 12 the coroner before any justice of the peace in the county.

C. S. p. 170, Sect.

- 1 SECT. 215. When the jurors who have been summoned 2 appear, the coroner shall call over their names, and then, in 3 view of the dead body, administer to them the following 4 oath:
- You do solemnly swear [or affirm, as the case may be] that 6 you will diligently inquire, and due presentment make, on 7 behalf of the state of Minnesota, when, how, and by what 8 means, the person whose body lies before you dead, came 19 to his death, and return a true inquest thereof, according to 10 your knowledge and such evidence as shall be laid before 11 you; so help you God:
- 12. If the jurors or any of them shall not appear, the coroner 13 may require the constable, or any other person whom he 14 shall appoint, to return other jurors until a jury is obtained.

C. S. p. 171, Sect.

1 SECT. 216. The coroner may issue subpcenas for wit2 nesses, returnable forthwith, or at such time and place as
3 he shall direct. The persons served with subpcenas shall
4 be allowed the same fees, and their attendance shall be en5 forced in the same manner by the coroner, and they shall
6 be subject to the same penalties, as if they had been served
7 with a subpcena in behalf of the state of Minnesota to at8 tend in a criminal action before a justice of the peace.

C.18. p. 171, Sect. 104. Amended.

- 1 Sect. 217. An oath to the following effect shall be ad-2 ministered to the witnesses by the coroner:
- You do solemnly swear that the evidence you shall give to this inquest, concerning the death of the person lying here dead, shall be the whole truth, and nothing but the truth: so help you God.

C. S. p. 171, Sect.

1 Sect. 218. The testimony of all witnesses examined 2 before any inquest shall be reduced to writing by the coro-3 ner, or some other person, by his direction, and be sub-4 scribed by the witnesses, respectively.

( ) C. S. p. 171, Sect. 106. Amended. SECT. 219. The jury, upon inspection of the dead body, and after hearing the testimony, and making the needful inquiries, shall draw up and deliver to the coroner, the inquisition, under their hands, in which they shall find and 5 certify when, how, and by what means the deceased person 6 came to his death, and his name if it was known, together 7 with all the material circumstances attending his death; and

17 coroner of the said county of , upon view
18 of the body of , (or a person) lying there dead, by
19 the oaths of the jurors whose names are hereunto sub20 scribed, who being sworn to inquire on behalt of the state

20 scribed, who being sworn to inquire on behalf of the state 21 of Minnesota, when, how, and by what means the said 22 (or person) came to his death, upon their paths do

22 (or person) came to his death, upon their oaths do 23 say, [then insert when, how, and by what person, means, 24 weapon or instrument he was killed.]

25 In testimony whereof, the said coroner and jurors of 26 this inquest have hereunto set their hands the day and year 27 aforesaid.

SECT. 220. If the jury find that any murder, manslaugh-2 ter, or assault has been committed on the deceased, the coro-3 ner shall bind over, by recognizance, such witnesses as he 107. 4 shall think proper, to appear and testify at the next court 5 to be held in the same county, at which indictment for such 6 offence can be found; he shall also return to the same 7 court, the inquisition, written evidence, and all recogniz-8 ances and examinations by him taken, and may commit to 9 the jail of the county any witnesses who refuse to recognize

10 in such manner as he shall direct.

SECT. 221. If any person, charged by the inquest with c ? 2 having committed such offence is not in custody, the coro- 108. 3 ner shall have the same power as a justice of the peace, to 4 issue process for his apprehension, and such warrant shall 5 be made returnable before any justice of the peace, or other 6 magistrate or court having jurisdiction of the case, who 7 shall proceed therein in the same manner that is required of 8 justices of the peace (or other court) in like cases.

SECT. 222. When any coroner takes an inquest upon c. s. p. 1<sub>171, sect.</sub>
2 view of the dead body of any person unknown, or being 109.
3 called for that purpose, shall not think it necessary, on view
4 of such body, that any inquest should be taken, he shall
5 cause the body to be decently buried, and all expenses of
6 the inquisition and burial shall be paid by the county in
7 which such dead body is found.

1 Sect. 223. Every coroner is authorized and required to

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C. S. p. 171, Sect. 110. Amended. 2 appoint one or more deputy coroners, who shall in the ab3 sence or inability to act, of the coroner, possess the same
4 powers and be subject to the same liabilities as coroners.
5 Each deputy shall be appointed in writing, and before en6 tering upon the duties of his office, shall take and subscribe
7 the oath required by law, and give bond to the board of
8 county commissioners with sureties to be approved by said
9 board, in such sum, not less that five hundred dollars, nor
10 more than five thousand dollars, as said board directs, con11 ditioned for the faithful performance of his official duties,
12 which bond, oath and appointment shall be filed and record13 ed in the office of register of deeds.

New Section.

1 SECT. 224. Each deputy shall act in his own name as 2 deputy coroner and hold his office during the pleasure of 3 the coroner.

#### TITLE XIII.

#### CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT.

C. S. p. 173, Sect. 121. Amended. SECT. 225. Every clerk of the district court before en-2 tering on the duties of his office, shall execute a bond 3 to the board of county commissioners, with two or more 4 sureties to be approved by said board in the penal sum of 5 one thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful discharge 6 of his official duties, and take and subscribe the oath re-7 quired by law; which oath and bond shall be filed and re-8 corded in the office of register of deeds.

C. S. p. 173, Sect. 120; C. S. p. 174, Sect. 123 combined.

1 SECT. 226. Every clerk shall keep his office at the 2 county seat and perform all duties which are or may be 3 assigned him by law, and by the rules of the court of which 4 he is clerk.

C. 7 C. S. p. 174, Sect. 124. 1 Sect. 227. He may at his discretion, with the approval 2 of the judge of his court, appoint a deputy clerk for whose 3 acts he shall be responsible; said deputy shall be appointed 4 under the hand and official seal of the clerk, with the approval of the judge endorsed on such appointment.

c. s. p. 174, Sect. 125. Amended. SECT. 228. Before any deputy clerk of the district court shall enter upon the duties of his office, he shall take and subscribe the oath required by law, which oath, together with the appointment of such deputy clerk, shall be filed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds; such deputy may be removed at the pleasure of the clerk.

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SECT. 229. Every clerk shall procure at the expense of

2 his county and keep the following books:

First.—A register of actions, in which he shall enter the

4 title of each action, a minute of each paper filed in the c.s.p.coo, sect.40; cause, and of all proceedings therein. C. S. p. 566, Sects 2 7

Second.—A judgment book, in which shall be entered 72 & 78 combined.

the judgment in each action.

Third.—A docket, in which he shall enter alphabetical-

9 ly, the name of each party to the judgment, the amount of

10 the judgment, and the precise time of his entry.

SECT. 230. Whenever any vacancy occurs in the office 32. 1861-p. 143, sect. 1. 2 of clerk of the district court, the judge of the district court

3 for the district in which such county is situate, shall ap-

4 point some suitable person to fill such vacancy, who shall

5 give such bond and take such oath as is by law required of

6 clerks of the district court, and who shall hold his office

7 until the next general election, and until his successor is

8 elected and qualified.

## CHAPTER IX.

## RESIGNATIONS, VACANCIES AND REMOVALS.

Section 1. Resignations shall be made—

First.—By all incumbents of elective offices, to the offices, to the 3 cer authorized by law to fill a vacancy in such office by ap- amended.

4 pointment, or to order a special election to fill such vacancy.

Second.—By all officers holding their offices by appoint-

6 ment, to the body, board or officer that appointed them,

7 unless otherwise specially provided.

SECT. 2. Every office shall become vacant on the happening of either of the following events before the expira- c.s. p. 2947, Sect. 2.

3 tion of the term of such office:

First.—The death of the incumbent.

Second.—His resignation. Third.—His removal.

- Fourth.—His ceasing to be an inhabitant of the State, or
- 9 if the office is local, his ceasing to be an inhabitant of the
- 10 district, county, city, or village, for which he was elected
- 11 or appointed, or within which the duties of his office are

12 required to be discharged.

Fifth.—His conviction of any infamous crime, or of any

offence involving a violation of his official oath.

Sixth.—His refusal or neglect to take his oath of office,