

or shores of such waters, or on any island where the same may have been drifted, except as in this chapter provided for, shall be liable to the owner thereof in treble the amount of damages.

HARRISON C. HOBART,

Speaker of the Assembly.

JOHN E. HOLMES,

Lt. Governor and President of the Senate.

Approved, March 31, 1849.

NELSON DEWEY.

Chap 217 An act authorizing the Governor to draw the five per centum of the net proceeds of the public lands.

THE People of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Gov. authorized to draw the five per cent. fund.

[SECTION 1.] The governor of this state is hereby authorized and empowered to receive from the treasury department of the United States, from time to time, as he shall see fit to draw for the same, the five per centum of the net proceeds of sales of the public lands, to which this state is or shall be entitled, pursuant to the act of congress, approved August sixth, 1846, and to execute the proper vouchers therefor; and when received, he shall pay the same into the state treasury to the credit of the school fund.

HARRISON C. HOBART,

Speaker of the Assembly,

JOHN E. HOLMES,

Lt. Governor and President of the Senate.

Approved, March 31, 1849.

NELSON DEWEY.

Chap 218 An act to divide and organize the towns of Vienna and Westport.

THE People of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Westport.

SECTION 1. Town eight, range nine, Dane county, is hereby organized into a separate town, by the name of Westport, and the first town meeting shall be held at the house of Michael Malaga, and the first election shall be held on the third Monday in April, 1849.

Vienna.

SEC. 2. That town nine, range nine, in Dane county, is hereby organized into a separate town by the name of Vienna, and the first town meeting shall be held at the house of Mr. Fisher in said town, on the third Monday of April next.

Elections how held.

SEC. 3. The elections in said towns shall be conducted in the same manner as other elections for town officers in towns, on their first organizations, and the officers so elected shall hold their offices