

AN ACT to authorize school district No. 7, in Snake Hollow school town, in Grant county, to levy an additional tax to build a school house.

BE IT ENACTED by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Wisconsin:

SECTION 1. That it shall and may be lawful for the trustees of school district number seven, in Snake Hollow school town, in Grant county, to levy an addition tax to the tax now allowed by law, not to exceed three per cent. on the assessment roll of said district for the purpose of erecting a school house in said district.

SEC. 2. The said tax shall be collected and returned in the same manner that is now provided by law for the collection of taxes.

APPROVED January 29, 1846.

AN ACT to authorize religious societies to lease or sell their real estate.

BE IT ENACTED by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Wisconsin:

SECTION 1. That whenever any religious society shall be desirous of selling or mortgaging their house of worship or any other real estate, which they are authorized to hold by law, they may apply by petition to the district court of the district in which such society is situate, for leave to sell or mortgage the same, and said court shall have power to hear such petition, and any testimony offered for or against such application, and to decree that said property may be sold or mortgaged if it shall be deemed expedi-

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ent, such application shall be made to the equity side of the court, and all proceedings therein shall be regulated accordingly.

SEC. 2. When said court shall have decreed that the real estate of any religious society may be sold or mortgaged, it shall be lawful for the trustee or trustees, or the church wardens and vestry-men of such society to sell and convey or mortgage, by deed, any such property so decreed to be sold or mortgaged, which deed duly executed and acknowledged, shall operate as a full and effectual conveyance or mortgage of all the right, title, and interest of said society, in such property. ^{Trustees may sell.}

SEC. 3. The trustee or trustees, or the church wardens and vestry-men of any religious society, in this Territory, may lease or sell seats and pews in their respective houses of worship, and may also lease any real estate belonging to such society, except such house of worship for any term not exceeding three years, at any one time, without leave of the court, as above provided. ^{May lease.}

SEC. 4. The church wardens and vestry-men of any congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in this Territory, who may be chosen in the manner prescribed for the election of such officers, in accordance with the rules and usages of said church, shall have and possess the same powers, rights and privileges in all respects, to receive, purchase, hold, lease, sell or mortgage property real or personal, which are conferred by law on trustees of religious societies.

APPROVED, February 3d, 1846.

AN ACT to authorize school district No. 3, in the county of Dane, to levy a tax to build a school house.

BE IT ENACTED by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Wisconsin:

SECTION 1. That it shall and may be lawful for the trustees of school district No. three, in Dane county, to levy and collect a