

## No. 34.

AN ACT to locate and establish the seat of justice of Jefferson county in this territory.

Location.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the council and house of representatives of the territory of Wisconsin,* That from and after the passage of this act the seat of justice of Jefferson county, in this territory, be and the same is hereby permanently located on the north-east quarter of section eleven, in township six north, of range fourteen east.

Commissioners.

SECTION 2. That Benona W. Finch, Robert Masters and George J. Goodhue, of said county, be and the same are hereby appointed commissioners to carry into effect the law of the congress of the United States entitled "an act granting to the counties or parishes of each state and territory of the United States, in which the public lands are situated the right of pre-emptions to quarter sections of land for seats of justice within the same," and approved the 26th of May, 1824. And it shall be the duty of the before named commissioners, on or before the first day of May next, to apply for the said land at the land office in Milwaukee, and tender the money for the same and receive the usual vouchers in the name of said county, to be used for aiding and assisting said county in building the necessary public buildings, after deducting the amount of money paid for said land.

Must enter the land.

And cause the same to be laid out.

SECTION 3. And it shall be the further duty of said commissioners, after receiving the title for said land forthwith to cause the same to be laid off into town lots, streets and alleys, according to such plan as the said commissioners or a majority of them may direct, and have the same platted and recorded according to law by the name of \_\_\_\_\_.

Sale thereof.

SECTION 4. After having the same laid off and recorded, agreeably to the foregoing provisions of this act, the said commissioners shall proceed to sell, either at public or private sale, a sufficient number of lots to pay the purchase money, surveying, recording and other necessary expenses: *provided*, that the lots so sold shall be distributed equally over said plat so that not more than four lots shall be sold lying together and adjoining each other.

SECTION 5. The said commissioners are hereby Partly on credit. authorized to sell, at any time after the sale made as provided in the fourth section of this act, any lot or lots on condition that the same shall be improved by building thereon a house, barn or other respectable building, on a credit until the county is organized: *provided*, that the sale so made shall not extend to more than one-third of the lots remaining after the sale provided for in the fourth section of this act, and that the lots so sold shall be equally distributed over the plat so that not more than two lots shall be adjoining each other.

SECTION 6. The said commissioners are hereby au- Warrantee deeds given. thorized to make out and sign warrantee deeds in the name of the county, by virtue of their office; and all deeds so made out and duly acknowledged by the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall ever be binding, and vest a good and sufficient title in the person or persons purchasing the same.

SECTION 7. In all cases where lots are sold on a When sold on credit how conveyed. credit, the commissioners shall give a bond for a deed to the person or persons purchasing the same, conditioned that if the lot or lots so sold are paid for according to the provisions of the bond, the county shall make, or cause to be made, a good and sufficient title to the same. And in all cases where a lot or lots are sold on a credit, the interest on the money to be paid for the same shall be paid annually in advance. And no one person shall be allowed to purchase more than eight lots on a credit, or otherwise, after the first sale, as provided for in the fourth section of this act; and all bonds given by said commissioners, by virtue of their office, for the sale of a lot or lots, shall be considered binding in said county in all respects therein contained.

SECTION 8. The said commissioners before they Commissioners to give bond. enter upon the duties office, shall give a bond each with approved security, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of their office, in the penal sum Their pay. of two thousand dollars. And they shall be entitled to receive for their services three dollars per day each, while necessarily employed. The bonds before named shall be approved of by the clerk of the district court of Milwaukee county and filed in his office for the use of the said Jefferson county.

When to make  
settlement.

**SECTION 9.** At the first session of the board of county commissioners, after the organization of the said Jefferson county, or any other board that may be provided by law hereafter for doing county business in the said county, the said commissioners, as before named, shall make a settlement of their accounts with said board, and pay over all moneys that may be due the county from said commissioners; and also deliver to said board all books, papers and documents belonging to said county, or in any wise appertaining to the affairs of said seat of justice as provided for in this act.

Approved January 12, 1838.

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### No. 35.

AN ACT for the benefit of the towns of Bellevue and Peru in the original county of Du Buque.

WHEREAS an act of congress entitled "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act for laying off the town of Fort Madison and Burlington, in the county of Des Moines, and the towns of Bellevue, Du Buque and Peru, in the county of Du Buque, and Mineral Point, in the county of Iowa, territory of Wisconsin;" approved March 3d, 1837, among other provisions provides, that all public lots in said towns shall be sold as other lands are, and authorizes the receiver of public money to pay into the hands of the trustees of the different towns the surplus remaining, after paying all the necessary expenses incident to the commission, survey and sale of said town lots.

AND WHEREAS, by an act passed at the first session of the legislature of Wisconsin territory entitled "an act to incorporate the inhabitants of such towns as wish to be incorporated;" approved November 6th, 1836, it is provided, that each and every town containing not less than 300 inhabitants, may incorporate themselves according to the provisions of that act. And whereas the towns of Bellevue and Peru mentioned in the above recited act of congress, have not a sufficient population to enable them to incorporate