

sistance as may be necessary in his office during said term; and said sum so allowed to be paid the said treasurer in quarterly installments during said term, at the end of each and every quarter, by county orders of said county duly issued therefor, and no treasurer of said county shall be elected to the said office the succeeding term.

Treasurer ineligible to second term.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 4, 1875.

CHAPTER 178.

[Published March 9, 1875.]

AN ACT for the division of the counties of Clark, Marathon, Lincoln, and Chippewa, and the erection of the county of Taylor.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. All that territory included in the following boundaries, to-wit: Beginning at the northeast corner of township thirty-three (33,) north of range three (3,) east of the fourth (4) meridian; thence running west on the township-line to the range-line between ranges four (4) and five (5) west; thence south on said range-line to the township-line between townships twenty-nine (29) and thirty (30) north; thence east on said township-line to range-line between ranges two and three east of the meridian aforesaid; thence north on said range-line to the correction-line between towns thirty (30) and thirty-one (31,) north; thence east on said correction-line to the southeast corner of township thirty one (31,) north of range three (3) east; thence north on the east line of townships thirty-one (31,) thirty-two (32,) and thirty-three (33,) to the place of beginning, is hereby detached and set off from the several counties to which it now belongs, and shall hereafter constitute a separate county, to be known and called the county of Taylor.

Boundaries.

SECTION 2. That the said county of Taylor is hereby erected and established with all the rights, powers, and privileges by law granted to other counties

Rights, powers and privileges.

- of this state, and subject to the general laws established for county governments. Said county of Taylor is hereby attached to the seventh judicial circuit, and the terms of the circuit court therein shall be held on the fourth Monday of April and the second Monday of November of each year, the first term of said court to be held at the place herein designated, as the seat of justice, on the second Monday of November, 1875.
- Judicial circuit.**
- Terms of courts fixed.**
- Governor to appoint officers.** SECTION 3. That before the twenty-fifth day of March next, the governor shall appoint in and for said county of Taylor, county officers, except county board of supervisors heretofore provided for, who shall, on the twenty-fifth day of March, qualify and enter upon the duties of their several offices, and hold the same until the first day of January succeeding the next general election.
- Seat of justice.** SECTION 4. The seat of justice for said county shall be, and is hereby located in the village of Medford, situate on section number twenty-seven (27), of township thirty-one (31), in range one (1) east, in said county of Taylor.
- Town organization.** SECTION 5. The county hereby organized shall, for the time being, constitute one town for all town purposes, and shall be known by the name of the town of Medford, and under such name shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges given by existing laws to other towns in this state.
- First election.** SECTION 6. The first election in said town shall be held at the store of Wheelen and Roberts in the village of Medford before mentioned, on the first Tuesday of April next, to choose such town and other officers as they are required by law to elect, and shall give ten days notice of the time and place of such election, by posting notices of the same in three of the most public places of the town, and the town board of said town so elected shall constitute for the time being the board of supervisors of said county.
- Board of supervisors to perfect organization and provide for holding court.** The county board of supervisors of said county shall at their first meeting after their election, or at an adjourned meeting, transact all business which may be necessary to perfect the organization of said county, and also make provision for a suitable place for the holding of the circuit court, and provide for petit jurors in said county, as required by law in other counties, so that a term of the circuit court for the county of Taylor can be properly and legally held at the November term thereof, 1875. They shall also

appoint from the county at large, four committees of two members each, one of which committees shall be directed to meet the Clark county board of supervisors, another the Marathon county board of supervisors, another the Chippewa county board of supervisors, another the Lincoln county board of supervisors, at the next ensuing annual meeting of each of said boards at the county seats of their respective counties, and shall, in connection with them, fix and determine upon the proportion of all county property, whether real or personal, which shall be apportioned to each county, and shall also apportion the indebtedness of said county according to the provisions of the next section of this act, a record of which said division and apportionment shall be kept by the clerks of each county and by each of the committees, and by the latter returned to the county clerk of the county of Taylor, to be by him entered into the regular and proper records of said county; the said division of property and apportionment of indebtedness shall be binding upon each of the counties as to the rights of each county to such property, and the responsibility of each under such apportionment.

Committees to be appointed to meet boards of other counties.

Proportion of county property to be determined.

Division and apportionment binding on each county.

Basis of settlement and liabilities.

SECTION 7. The basis of settlement in the division of property belonging to, and apportionment of liabilities of said counties shall be as follows: Each county to become the sole and exclusive owner of all county property lying and situate within its boundaries, as defined by the first section of this act, and the indebtedness and liabilities apportioned to the county of Taylor to bear the same ratio to that apportioned to each of the other counties as does the county property situate in that portion of the county detached bear [to] that situated in the county from which the said territory has been set off by this act.

Return of unpaid taxes not invalidated.

SECTION 8. This act shall not in any wise affect or invalidate the collection or return of unpaid taxes in either of the counties mentioned herein, but all taxes in process of collection shall be collected as heretofore, and all tax-sales made in pursuance thereof shall be as valid as if the said counties had not been divided, even though the property sold be situated in the portion of territory hereby detached and set off from said counties.

Transcript of records to be procured.

SECTION 9. The board of supervisors of the county of Taylor shall have power, and it shall be their duty, to procure from the register of deeds of the several

counties of Clark, Marathon, Lincoln and Chippewa, at the expense of the county of Taylor, a transcript of such portion of the records of the several counties above named, in said section nine (9), as may relate to the titles of land situate in the county of Taylor, and the registers of said counties shall be entitled to and receive for said transcript, the amount per folio as is by law provided for similar work.

Senatorial and congressional districts.

SECTION 10. The county of Taylor shall form and constitute a part of the thirteenth senatorial district, and with the county of Chippewa shall also constitute an assembly district; said county shall also constitute a part of the eighth congressional district.

SECTION 11. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 179.

[Published March 19, 1875.]

AN ACT to amend section forty-four (44) of chapter one hundred and sixty-five (165) of the revised statutes of 1858, entitled "of offenses against property."

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Amended.

SECTION 1. Section forty-four (44) of chapter one hundred and sixty-five (165) of the revised statutes of 1858, entitled "of offenses against property," is hereby amended by adding after the words "county jail," where they occur in said section, the words "or state prison at the discretion of the court," so that when amended to read as follows: "Every person who shall wilfully and maliciously kill, maim or disfigure any horses, cattle or other beasts of another person, or shall wilfully and maliciously administer poison to any such beasts, or expose any poisonous substance with the intent that the same may be taken or swallowed by them, or shall wilfully and maliciously destroy or injure the personal property of another, in any manner, or by any means not particularly mentioned or described in this chapter, shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail, or state prison, at the discretion of the court, not more than

Penalty for malicious injury or destruction of animals or other personal property.