

counties or parishes of each state and territory of the United States in which the public lands are situated; the right of pre-emption to quarter sections of lands for seats of justice within the same;" and they are hereby authorized to borrow the sum of two hundred dollars, at a rate of interest not exceeding ten per cent per annum, for a period not exceeding five years, for the purchase of one hundred and sixty acres of land under the provision of said pre-emption law above referred to, and may mortgage said land for the payment of said money so borrowed. May borrow money.

§ 4. That should the said commissioners be unable to find a suitable tract of public land on which to locate said county seat, they are hereby authorized to make the location on individual property: *Provided*, the proprietor or proprietors shall convey in fee simple, free of expenses, to the county commissioners of Iowa county, in trust for said county of Richland, every fourth lot in any town which may be laid out as the said seat of justice for the said county of Richland: *Provided, further*, that the whole number of lots so ceded to said county shall not exceed thirty acres. May purchase land for county seat.

Lots to be donated to the county.

§ 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED, February 18, 1842.

AN ACT declaratory of an act entitled "An act prescribing the terms of office of certain county officers, and for other purposes."

Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Wisconsin, as follows:

§ 1. The several county officers elected at the last general election, under the provisions of the act of which this is declaratory, are hereby constituted and declared to be in office from the first Monday of January, 1842, during the term for which they were severally elected, any law to the contrary notwithstanding. Term of office.

§ 2. No act performed or to be performed by any of said officers, shall be deemed invalid by the reason that the act under which they were severally elected did not take effect until the day on which the last general election took place. Acts of officers legalized.

§ 3. This act shall not be so construed as to affect the tenure of office of those officers elected or to be elected in pursuance of other acts. Not to effect other acts.

the provisions of the act to provide for the government of the several towns in this Territory and for the revision of county government, approved February eighteenth, 1841, in the several counties where said act may have been adopted.

APPROVED, February 18, 1842.

AN ACT to repeal an act entitled "An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Bank of Mineral Point."

Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Wisconsin:

Repealed.

§ 1. That an act to incorporate the stockholders of the Bank of Mineral Point, approved Dec. 2, 1836, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Shall not effect suits pending.

§ 2. That this act shall not be so construed as to affect in any manner any suits or other legal proceedings that have or may hereafter be commenced by or against said incorporation.

§ 3. This act shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED, February 18, 1842.

AN ACT to authorize the construction of a dam across the Crawfish river.

Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Wisconsin:

Who may erect a dam.

§ 1. That Lucius I. Barber and Enoch G. Darling, and their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they are hereby authorized to erect and maintain a dam across the Crawfish river in the County of Jefferson, on land now owned by them, at any point they may deem most suitable, having in view the improvement of the navigation of said river, on section number eleven, in township number six, of range number fourteen east, and to make use of the water for hydraulic purposes.

Dam how high.

§ 2. Said dam shall not exceed four feet in height above high