

Purchaser to execute Mortgage. and the amount the same would be if the same had been sold at two dollars and fifty cents per acre, if the money so paid shall not equal such amount, conditioned to pay the same in case the United States shall require the future State of Wisconsin to pay more than the sum of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre: otherwise such mortgage to be void.

APPROVED, February 24th, 1845.

**AN ACT to abolish the office of Supreme Court Commissioners.**

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

Office abolished. SECTION 1. The office of Supreme Court Commissioner is hereby abolished.

Powers and duties vested in Judges of Probate.

SEC. 2. All the powers and duties heretofore required to be performed by Supreme Court Commissioners, except the allowance of writs of injunctions, by any law of this Territory, shall hereafter be vested in, and performed by, the Judges of Probate in the respective counties; and the Judges of Probate shall be entitled to the same fees and compensation for their services in performing such duties as was heretofore allowed by law to Supreme Court Commissioners.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect on the fifteenth day of March next.

APPROVED, February 22nd, 1845.

**AN ACT to submit the Organization of the County of St. Croix for Judicial Purposes, to the Electors of said County.**

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

Organize for Judicial purposes.

SECTION 1. That from and after the first day of November next, the County of St. Croix shall be organized for judicial purposes, and shall enjoy all the privileges of other counties of this Territory. It shall form a part of the first Judicial district, and the courts therein shall be held by the judge of said district.

SEC. 2. All writs, process, appeals, recognizances or other proceedings commenced in the district court of Crawford county prior to the first day of November next, shall be prosecuted to final judgment, and execution may be issued thereon in the same manner they might have been had this act not passed, and execution on any judgment heretofore rendered in said court shall have the like force and effect and may be executed by the Sheriff of Crawford county, a nything in any law of this Territory to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 3. That at the next general election, the qualified voters of St. Croix county shall vote either "for district court" or "against district court," and a majority of the votes polled for or against the organization of said county shall determine whether this act shall go into effect or not. If a majority be for it then this act to take effect, otherwise this act shall be void: *Provided*, That there shall be cast at the said election one hundred and fifty votes: they shall also elect one Sheriff and one Judge of Probate, if no Judge of Probate was elected at the last election or if the office be vacant from any cause, and Philip Aldrich shall be and remain the Judge of Probate until his successor is duly elected and qualified, any thing in the laws of this Territory to the contrary notwithstanding: they shall also elect their county officers, and in addition thereto, three Commissioners, who after having severally sworn to perform the duties of their respective offices according to the best of their abilities, shall proceed to locate a seat of justice at such place as they shall deem most expedient and convenient for the present and future inhabitants: *Provided*, They shall not locate the same upon the claim of any occupant or resident without the consent of such claimant: *Provided*, Such claim does not exceed three hundred and twenty acres; and said commissioners may perform the duties of the said office at any time after the receipt of their certificates of election, and before the first day of May, A. D. 1846; said Commissioners to receive such reasonable compensation as shall be allowed by the County Commissioners.

SEC. 4. If a majority of the votes polled for district Court shall be in favor of it, the clerk of the Board of County Com-

Clerk to re-  
turn result.

Commissioners shall return the result to the clerk of the district court of Crawford county within thirty days after the day of election, and said clerk of the district court shall issue a certificate to the judge of the first judicial district of such fact, and a neglect of either of said clerks to perform the duties required by this section shall be deemed a misdemeanor in office, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined a sum not less than one hundred dollars nor more than three hundred dollars. In such case the first term of said district court shall be holden on the first Monday of June, A. D. 1846, and on the same day of the same month in each and every year thereafter, and the County Commissioners shall provide a suitable place to hold said court until a seat of justice shall have been located and suitable buildings erected.

APPROVED February 22, 1845.

## AN ACT concerning the duties of Clerks of the Boards of County Commissioners and County Supervisors in relation to unredeemed tax lands.

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

Clerk to re-ad-  
vertise unre-  
deemed lands.

SECTION 1. That if from any cause the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, or of the County Supervisors of any County, shall have failed or shall hereafter fail to advertise the list of unredeemed tax lands, and town lots, in any County for six months previous to the day of forfeiture as required by the second section of "an act concerning the duties of Clerks of the Boards of County Commissioners," approved the 13th day of January, 1840, it shall and may be lawful for such Clerk to again advertise such lands and town lots, giving the notice required by said act.

Clerks to deed.

SEC. 2. After the notice of such forfeiture shall have been published as aforesaid, and affidavit thereof made and filed as required by law, it shall then be lawful for such Clerks to deed such lands and town lots still remaining unredeemed, in the same manner as though they had been advertised at the proper time.

SEC. 3. The compensation of the Clerk of Board of County Commissioners of any County in this Territory, to be paid out of the County Treasury for fees and services rendered for any such