

An Act to restore the County of Adams to its former boundaries.

Chap. 29. *The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

Boundaries.

SECTION 1. That all that district of country embraced within the following boundaries shall form and constitute the county of Adams, to wit: Townships number fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen and twenty north, in ranges number two, three, four, five, six and seven, east of the fourth principal meridian.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved, March 14, 1853.

Chap. 30.

An Act to organize the County of Adams for county and judicial purposes, and for the location of the county seat thereof.

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

When organized.

SECTION 1. That the county of Adams shall be organized, from and after the first Tuesday in April next, for judicial and county purposes, and shall enjoy all the rights, privileges, immunities and powers of the other counties of this State.

Boundaries.

SEC. 2. Said county of Adams shall be, and hereby is (after the first Tuesday in April next,) organized into five towns, to be bounded as follows, viz: That portion of said county lying east of the Wisconsin river, in township fourteen (14) and fifteen (15), in ranges five [5], six (6) and seven (7) east, is hereby organized into one town, to be called the town of Jackson, and the first election in said town shall be held at the house of Thomas Ritchie.

Town of Grand Marsh.

And all that part of said county lying in townships sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), and twenty north of ranges six (6) and seven (7) east, is hereby organized into one town, to be called the town of Grand Marsh, and the first election in said town shall be held at the house of — Peck.

Quincey.

And all that part of said county lying in townships fifteen (15), sixteen (16), and seventeen (17), in ranges four (4) and five (5) east, on either side of the Wisconsin river, is hereby organized into one town, to be called the town of Quincey, and the first election in said town shall be held at the house of Henry W. Kingsbury.

And all that part of said county lying in townships **Necedah** eighteen, nineteen (19) and twenty (20) north, in ranges two (2), three (3), four (4) and five (5) east, is hereby organized into one town, to be called the town of Necedah, and the first election in said town shall be held at the house of Thomas Weston & Co.

And all that part of said county lying in townships **Lemonwien** fifteen (15), sixteen (16) and seventeen (17), in ranges two (2) and three (3) east, is hereby organized into one town, to be called the town of Lemonwier, and the first election in said town shall be held at the house of — Findlay.

SEC. 3. There shall be an election held in the several **Elections** towns in said county on the first Tuesday in April next, for the election of all such town and county officers as the said county, by virtue of its organization and the privileges of this act, shall be entitled to; which said county officers shall severally hold their offices until the first day of January, 1855, and until their successors are duly elected and qualified; and the said town officers shall severally hold their offices until the next annual town meeting, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

SEC. 4. The said election shall be conducted in all respects in the manner now provided by law for holding **How votes to be canvassed and returned.** general elections, and the votes cast at such election shall be canvassed and returned as therein provided: and the judges of said election shall issue certificates of election to any and all persons duly elected under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 5. The chairman of the town board of supervisors **County board.** elected at said election shall constitute the county board of supervisors, and shall meet on the first Monday in May next, at the seat of justice of said county, together with the clerk of the board of supervisors, and after being duly sworn according to law, shall proceed to transact such business as may be proper for the action of the board, or as may be required of them by law.

SEC. 6. The seat of justice of said county is hereby **County seat** temporarily located on the south half of the southwest quarter of section No. seven (7), in township No. sixteen (16) north, of range five (5) east, of the fourth principal meridian, for the term of five years from and after the passage of this act.

SEC. 7. Said county of Adams is hereby constituted a **Constitute 3d** part of the third judicial circuit, and two terms of the **judicial circuit** circuit court shall be holden annually in said county, at

the seat of justice thereof, on the second Monday in April, and second Monday in September; and four terms of the county court shall annually be holden in said county on the first Monday in January, April, July and October.

How process
returnable.

SEC. 8. All process shall issue and be made returnable in said county as required by law in other counties, and all laws now in force applicable to the summoning and empanelling of jurors, shall be applicable to and in force in the said county of Adams.

Election of
judge.

SEC. 9. On the first Tuesday in April next, there shall be elected by the qualified voters of said county, a county judge, who shall hold his office for the term of four years, and until his successor shall be duly elected and qualified; and the votes cast for county judge at such election shall be canvassed and returns made in the same manner as votes cast at general election for county officers are canvassed and returns made, and the judge so elected shall have all the rights, privileges and jurisdiction that county judges have by the laws of this State.

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Chap. 31. An Act to divide Saint Croix county, and create the counties of Pierce and Polk.

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

Boundaries of
Pierce county.

SECTION 1. All that portion of country now embraced in St. Croix county, lying and being south of township line between townships twenty-seven and twenty-eight, shall be and is hereby set off into a separate county, to be called and known as the county of Pierce.

Boundaries of
Polk county.

SEC. 2. All that portion of country now embraced in Saint Croix county, lying north of township line between townships thirty-one and thirty-two shall be and is hereby set off into a separate county, to be called and known as the county of Polk.

Election of
town officers.

SEC. 3. There shall be an election held in the several towns and precincts such as now are, or may be hereafter established by law, on the first Tuesday in April, A. D. 1853, for the election of all such town officers as the said counties by virtue of its organization and privileges of this act shall be entitled to, who (said town officers) shall severally hold their town offices one year, and until their successors are duly qualified.