

AN ACT to divide the county of Iowa and establish the counties of La Fayette and Montgomery.

BE IT ENACTED by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Wisconsin:

SECTION 1. That towns one, two and three, of ranges one two, three, four and five east of the fourth principal meridian, and sections nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, thirty-four, thirty-five and thirty-six, town four of ranges one, two, three, four and five east, shall constitute and form a county to be called La Fayette. La Fayette county established.

SEC. 2. That all that tract of country lying south of the Wisconsin river, in towns five, six, seven, eight and nine, in ranges one, two, three, four and five, east of the fourth principal meridian, and in sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen and eighteen, in town four, of ranges one, two, three, four and five east, shall constitute and form a county to be called Montgomery. Montgomery county established.

SEC. 3. The county commissioners of the county of Iowa, are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow at a rate of interest not exceeding ten per cent. per annum the sum of two hundred dollars, and with the money so borrowed the said county commissioners shall, by the the first day of May next, select and enter or purchase one quarter section of land in section nine or section ten, or in the south half of section three or four, or in the north half of section fifteen, in town two, of range three east, and the quarter section thus selected and entered or purchased shall be the county seat of the county of La Fayette, and if this act shall be adopted by the people in the manner hereinafter provided then said quarter section shall be and remain the property of the said county of La Fayette, and in consideration thereof the said county of La Fayette shall be and become liable to pay said loan according to the tenor, terms and considerations on which the same shall be made. And if this act shall not be Commissioners to borrow money and select county seat.

adopted by the people in the manner hereinafter provided, then said quarter section shall be and remain the property of the present county of Iowa; and the said county of Iowa shall be and become liable to pay said loan according to the tenor, terms and consideration on which the same shall be made.

SEC. 4. The county commissioners of the county of Iowa are hereby authorized to borrow at a rate of interest not exceeding ten per centum per annum, an additional sum of two hundred dollars, with which they shall, by the first day of May next, select and enter or purchase a quarter section of land in sections twenty-one, twenty-two, or fifteen, in town six, of range three east, and the quarter section thus selected and entered or purchased shall be the county seat of the county of Montgomery; and if this act shall be adopted by the people in the manner hereinafter provided, the said quarter section in town six, of range three east, shall be and remain the property of the said county of Montgomery, and in consideration thereof the said county of Montgomery shall be and become liable to pay said last aforesaid loan; according to the tenor, terms and conditions on which the same shall be made. And if this act shall not be adopted by the people in the manner hereinafter provided, then said quarter section shall be and remain the property of the present county of Iowa; and the said county of Iowa shall be and become liable to pay said loan according to the tenor, terms and conditions on which the same shall be made.

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Commissioners to give notice.

SEC. 5. The county commissioners, so soon as they shall have made such selections and entries shall give public notices in some newspaper of general circulation in said county, of the two quarter sections aforesaid, which they shall have selected and entered or purchased.

Electors to vote for or against division

SEC. 6. At the general annual election to be held in September next, all the voters in said county of Iowa; authorized by law to vote for delegate to Congress, shall vote for or against this act by depositing a ballot with the judges of election, on which shall be written or printed the words "For the county division law," or "Against the county division law," which ballots shall be canvassed and returned in the manner provided by law for canvassing and returning the votes for county officers; and the result of said election shall be published by the clerk of the board of

county commissioners of Iowa county, in some newspaper of general circulation in said county.

SEC. 7. If a majority of said voters shall approve of this act as aforesaid then the Legislature of Wisconsin, at its next session, shall provide by law for the full organization of said counties, and this act shall go into effect from and after said organization.

SEC. 8. In case this act shall be approved by the people as aforesaid, the debts and liabilities of the county of Iowa shall be divided between said counties, and each of said counties shall pay such a proportion of said debts and liabilities as their population, respectively to be ascertained by the next census to be taken, shall bear to the whole population of Iowa county, and all the property and effects of said county shall be divided between said counties in the same proportion.

APPROVED Jan. 31, 1846.

AN ACT to re-organize certain towns in Jefferson county.

BE IT ENACTED by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Wisconsin:

SECTION 1. That township seven, north of range fourteen east, and the west half of township eight, in the same range, shall hereafter constitute the town of Aztalan.

SEC. 2. That township eight, north of range sixteen east, shall constitute the town of Ixonia; and the first town meeting shall be held at the house of Benjamin Piper, on the first Tuesday of April next.

SEC. 3. That township seven, north of range sixteen east, shall constitute the town of Concord; and the next town meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday of April next, at the house of Kellogg, at the junction of the Watertown and Aztalan roads.

SEC. 4. That the said towns shall each be entitled to and en-