tise for bids to print and bind and complete said work and let the contract to the lowest and best bidder. Said advertisement for sealed proposals for such printing and binding to be made in two or more newspapers of general circulation published in the Territory, at least thirty days before said contract is let:

Provided, That said contract shall not be let to any one except to an actual publisher and printer resident of the Territory.

- § 3. AWARDING CONTRACT.] That within twenty days after the passage of this act, the Secretary shall proceed to advertise for such bids and proposals, and at the time specified in such advertisement he shall let such contract for the printing and binding said laws as hereinbefore provided, taking a good and sufficient bond from the contractor for the faithful and speedy performance of said contract.
- § 4. APPROPRIATION.] That the sum of five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated out of the funds of the territorial treasury, not otherwise appropriated, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the payment of the printing and binding such laws as herein provided.
- § 5. This act shall take effect and be in force on and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 9, 1883.

Legalizing Acts.

CHAPTER 9.

WM. L. CHADWICK.

AN ACT to Legalize the Acts of William L. Chadwick as Notary Public.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota:

- § 1. That the acts of William L. Chadwick as notary public from the eighteenth day of December, A. D. 1881, to and including the 17th day of November, A. D. 1882, be and the same are hereby legalized and made valid.
- § 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 9, 1883.

CHAPTER .10

WILLIAM R. GOODFELLOW.

AN ACT to Legalize the Acts of William R. Goodfellow as Notary Public of the Territory of Dakota.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota:

- § 1. Certain acknowledgments legalized.] That all acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages, or other instruments in writing, and oaths administered by and affidavits taken before William R. Goodfellow as notary public of the Territory of Dakota, from and after the 26th day of September, 1882, be, and the same is hereby legalized; and such acknowledgments and affidavits shall have the same force and effect as if the said William R. Goodfellow as such notary public was duly authorized to take and certify acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages, and other instruments in writing, and to take and certify to the administering of oaths and affidavits by the laws of this Territory.
- § 2. Same.] That all deeds, mortgages, and other instruments in writing, acknowledged before said William R. Goodfellow as notary public, between the dates of September 26th, 1882, and January 1st, 1883, which now are, or hereafter shall be, placed on record, shall, and they are, hereby declared to be duly recorded, and shall be notice to all persons, the same as though said deeds, mortgages, and other instruments, had been acknowledged before and certified by an officer competent to take and subscribe acknowledgments under the laws of this Territory.
- § 3. Same.] That deeds, mortgages, and other instruments in writing, the acknowledgments of which have been taken and certified by and before William R. Goodfellow as notary public of this Territory, between the 26th day of September, 1882, and the 1st day of January, 1883, are hereby declared to be acknowledged and certified, and the record of the same shall be as valid and binding in law and equity as though the same had been acknowledged before some officer duly authorized by the laws of this Territory to take and certify acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages, and other instruments in writing.
- § 4. That all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed so far as they apply to the cases herein provided for by this act.
- § 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 9, 1883.

CHAPTER 11.

C. J. B. HARRIS.

AN ACT to Legalize the Acts of C. J. B. Harris of [as] Notary Public of the Territory of Dakota.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota:

- § 1. Acknowledgments, etc., legalized.] That all acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages and other instruments in writing and all oaths administered by and affidavits taken before C. J. B. Harris, notary public of the Territory of Dakota, between the third and ninth days of February, A. D. 1883, are hereby legalized; and such acknowledgments and affidavits shall have the same force and effect as if the said C. J. B. Harris as said notary public was during said time duly commissioned and qualified to act.
- § 2. Same.] That all deeds, mortgages and other instruments in writing acknowledged by the said C. J. B. Harris, as notary public, between the dates aforesaid are hereby declared to be duly acknowledged and certified, and the same, whether now recorded or hereafter placed on record, are hereby declared to be duly recorded, and shall be as binding and valid in law and equity as though the same had been acknowledged before some officer duly authorized by the laws of this Territory to take and certify acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages and other instruments in writing, and the said record of the same shall be notice to all persons the same as though the same had been acknowledged before and certified to by an officer competent to take and certify acknowledgments under the laws of this Territory.
- § 3. That all acts or parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, so far as they apply to the cases herein provided for by this act.
- § 4. That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 9, 1883.

CHAPTER 12.

EDWIN T. WHITE.

AN ACT to Legalize the Acts of Edwin T. White as Notary Public of the Territory of Dakota.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota:

- § 1. Acknowledgments, etc., legalized.] That all acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages and other instruments in writing, and all oaths administered by and affidavits taken before Edwin T. White as notary public of the Territory of Dakota, between the 21st day of January, 1882, and the 25th day of May, 1882, are hereby legalized; and such acknowledgments and affidavits shall have the same force and effect as if the said Edwin T. White as such notary public was duly authorized to take and certify acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages and other instruments in writing, and to take and certify to the administering of oaths and affidavits by the laws of this Territory.
- § 2. Same.] That all deeds, mortgages and other instruments in writing, acknowledged before said Edwin T. White, as notary public, between the dates aforesaid, which now are or shall hereafter be placed on record, shall be and they are hereby declared to be duly recorded, and shall be notice to all persons the same as though said deeds, mortgages and other instruments had been acknowledged before and certified by an officer competent to take and subscribe acknowledgments under the laws of this Territory.
- § 3. Same.] That deeds, mortgages and other instruments in writing, the acknowledgments of which have been taken and certified by and before Edwin T. White, as notary public of this Territory, between the 21st day of January, 1882, and the 25th day of May, 1882, are hereby declared to be acknowledged and certified, and the record of the same shall be as valid and binding, in law and equity as though the same had been acknowledged before some officer duly authorized by the laws of this Territory to take and certify acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages and other instruments in writing.
- § 4. That all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed so far as they apply to the cases herein provided for by this act.
- § 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, February 7, 1883.