

COMMISSIONERS.

CHAPTER 10.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS TO TAKE THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEEDS, AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS, AND DEFINING THE DUTIES THEREOF.

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

Governor may appoint in other states and territories, with what powers.

SECTION 1. The governor shall have power to appoint or more commissioners in any state of the United States of the territories belonging to the United States, who shall continue in office during the pleasure of the governor, and shall have authority to take the acknowledgment and proof of the execution of any deed, or other conveyance, or lease of any lands lying in this territory, and of any contract, letter, or any other writing under seal or not, to be used by an attorney, or any other writing under seal or not, to be used or recorded in this territory.

Their acknowledgment of same force as if executed here.

SECT. 2. Such acknowledgment or proof, so taken, according to the laws of this territory, and certified to by any commissioner under his seal of office, and annexed to or endorsed on such instrument, shall have the same power and effect as if the same had been made before any officer authorized to perform such acts in this territory.

May administer oaths and take depositions.

SECT. 3. Every commissioner, appointed as before mentioned, shall have power to administer an oath which may lawfully required in this territory to any person willing to take the same, and to take and duly certify all depositions to be used in any of the courts of this territory in conformity with the laws thereof, either on interrogatories proposed under commission from any court of this territory, or by consent of the parties, or on legal notice given to the opposite party; and all such acts shall be as valid as if done and certified according to law by a proper officer in this territory.

Commissioners to make oath or affirmation.

SECT. 4. Every such commissioner, before performing duty, or exercising any power by virtue of his appointment

shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation before a judge or a clerk of one of the courts of record of the state or territory in which such commissioner shall reside, well and faithfully to execute and perform all the duties of such commissioner, under and by virtue of the laws of the Territory of Dakota, which oath, with a description or impression of his seal of office, shall be filed in the office of the secretary of this territory.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. Take effect, when.

Approved April 12, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

CORPORATIONS.

CHAPTER 11.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CORPORATIONS FOR MANUFACTURING, MINING, LUMBERING, AGRICULTURAL, MECHANICAL, AND CHEMICAL PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Any three or more persons desirous of forming a corporation for the purpose of carrying on any kind of manufacturing, mining, lumbering, agricultural, mechanical, or chemical business, may make, sign, and acknowledge, before some officer authorized to take the acknowledgment of deeds, a certificate in writing, in which shall be stated the name of such corporation, and the object for which the corporation shall be formed, the amount of the capital stock of such corporation, the term of its existence (which shall not exceed ten years), the number of shares of which said stock shall consist, the number of trustees, and their names, who shall manage the concerns of said corporation for the first

Persons desirous of forming corporation, make and sign certificate — to contain what.