

out, construct, build and operate a railroad running to the Missouri river at such point as they may select, is hereby recognized and affirmed by this Legislative Assembly, so far as it now relates to the Territory of Dakota, and that the action of the said St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, in transferring the rights, powers and privileges to the first division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, is hereby authorized, recognized, ratified and confirmed.

SEC. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its passage ^{Take effect} and approval. _{when.}

Approved, January 12th, 1871.

TELEGRAPH LINES—YANKTON COUNTY.

CHAPTER 11.

AN ACT GRANTING CERTAIN POWERS TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF YANKTON COUNTY RELATING TO TELEGRAPH LINES.

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

SECTION 1. That the county commissioners of Yankton county be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to lease to the highest bidder at their office in said county, on the first day of February, A. D. 1871, at ten o'clock, A. M., of said day the exclusive right of way for a telegraph line running between the James River and the city of Yankton in said county, upon and along the public highway now opened

Commissioners of Yankton county authorized to lease right of way for telegraph line.

between the points last named for the term and period of five years, providing said right of way shall not interfere with the right of the public in and to said highway; and that said highest bidder and lessee shall keep and maintain a telegraph line in good condition and working order.

Commissioners shall execute and deliver lease. SEC. 2. That said commissioners after receiving all the bids as aforesaid shall execute and deliver to the highest bidder as lessee, in the name of said county, and signed by said commissioners, a good and sufficient lease, granting the exclusive right of way as aforesaid, and for and during the term aforesaid: *Provided*, That the right of way herein conferred shall not exceed the power to confer said right, vested in the board of county commissioners.

Proviso.

To take effect when. SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, January 13th, 1871.

TOWNSHIPS IN UNION COUNTY.

CHAPTER 12.

AN ACT CREATING THE TOWNSHIPS OF VIRGINIA, PRAIRIE AND SPINK, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, DAKOTA TERRITORY.

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

Virginia township, in Union county—boundaries defined. SECTION 1. Virginia township shall be known and described by the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning at the north-east corner of the county of Union; thence running west on north line of Union county to the northwest corner of section 4 in township 95, of range 49 west; thence south on section line the southwest corner of section 16 in township 94, range 49