

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

west; thence due east on section line to the Big Sioux river; thence along the main channel of said stream to the place of beginning, thus forming a township to be known as Virginia.

SEC. 2. Prairie township shall be known and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the northwest corner of the township of Virginia; thence running west on the north line of Union county to the northwest corner of said county; thence south on the west line of Union county to the southwest corner of section 18, township 94, of range 50; thence east on the section line to the southwest corner of Virginia township; thence north to the place of beginning, thus forming a township to be known as Prairie township. Boundaries of Prairie township.

SEC. 3. Spink township shall be known and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the northeast corner of section 24, in township 94, of range 50; thence due west to the west line of Union county; thence south along said county line to township line between townships 92 and 93; thence east along said line to the southeast corner of township 93 of range 50 west; thence north to place of beginning, thus forming township to be known as Spink township. Boundaries of Spink township.

SEC. 4. At the next general election there shall be elected in each of these townships the following officers, to wit: One county commissioner, two justices of the peace, two constables and one assessor, who shall hold their respective offices for the term of two years; and there shall also be elected one road supervisor in each of said townships who shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year. Officers to be elected, when.

SEC. 5. Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to impair the rights and authority of Eugene Lyon to assess the township of Sioux Valley for the year 1871. Neither shall this act affect the rights and authority of any of the present officers of Sioux Valley township. This act not to impair certain rights.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect from and after its passage and approval. When to take effect.

Approved, January 13th, 1871.