

and construction of such ditch, drain or water course, in proportion to the benefit to each of them through along the line, or in the vicinity of whose lands the same may be located and constructed respectively; and the same may be levied upon the lands of the owners to be benefited in said proportions, and collected in the same manner that other taxes are levied and collected for county purposes.

When to take effect.

SEC. 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, January 15, 1875.

DIVISION OF COUNTIES.

CHAPTER XXXIX.

TO PREVENT THE DIVISION OF ORGANIZED COUNTIES.

AN ACT preventing the division of organized counties in certain cases.

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

Counties how they may be divided.

SECTION 1. No organized county in the territory, with an area of eight hundred and fifty square miles or less, shall be divided, or have any part stricken therefrom, without submitting the question to a vote of the people of the county, nor unless a majority of all the legal voters of the county shall vote for the same.

When to take effect.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, January 6, 1875.