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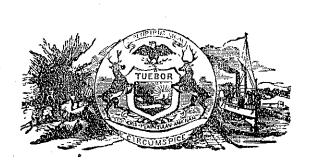
or THE

STATE OF MICHIGAN,

PASSED AT THE

REGULAR SESSION OF 1879,

WITH AN APPENDIX.



BY AUTHORITY.

LANSING: W. S. GEORGE & CO., STATE PRINTERS AND BINDERS. 1879. quantities of said lands without having obtained the formal or official direction of said land grant board to make such sales;

AND WHEREAS, It is alleged that all such sales are irregular;

AND WHEREAS, The lands thus sold are principally held or occupied by innocent parties, many of whom having made valuable improvements [improvement] thereon, whose rights and interests in the premises demand the protec-

tion of the state; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the agricultural land grant board be, and they are hereby authorized and instructed to examine into the matter of said alleged irregular sales of agricultural college lands, and to adjust and determine the same, and to confirm all such sales of said lands as shall appear to said board, to have been made in accordance with the terms and conditions of section number three (3) of said act, the same being section three thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine

of the compiled laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one;

And resolved further, That if the said board shall find that any of such sales of said lands shall have been made at a less price per acre than provided for in the section last referred to, then it is hereby made the duty of said board to elect whether they will receive from the purchaser or purchasers, or other party or parties holding under them, the full purchase price contemplated by the said section, and confirm such sales, or take such further measures as they shall deem proper for the protection of the interests of the state: Provided, however, That if any such sales are canceled, either by the action of said board or by the decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, then the amount of money to be refunded shall in no case exceed the amount received by the state, as principal, interest and taxes on the lands described in the particular sale so canceled: Provided further, That all settlers on lands so canceled, shall also have a valid claim against the state for all actual improvements;

Resolved, That this joint resolution shall be in full force and effect from and

after its passage.

Approved May 28, 1879.

No. 29.

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the constitution of this state, to stand as section fifteen of article fourteen.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the following amendment to the constitution of this state, be and the same is hereby proposed to stand as section fifteen of article fourteen.

SEC. 15. The legislature shall have power, upon such terms and conditions, and in such manner as it shall deem proper, to authorize the city of Detroit to aid in the construction and maintenance of a railroad bridge or tunnel across the Detroit river at or near said city, to an amount not exceeding one per century of the aggregative of the toyable preparents in said city.

tum of the assessed value of the taxable property in said city.

Resolved, That said constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the people of the state at the annual election to be held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November in the year eighteen hundred and eighty; and the secretary of state is hereby required to give notice of the same to the sheriffs of the several counties of this state, in the same manner that he is

now required to do in case of an election of governor or lieutenant governor; and the inspectors of elections in the several townships and cities of this state shall prepare a suitable box for the reception of ballots cast for or against said amendment. Each person voting for said amendment shall have written or printed, or partly written and partly printed on his ballot the words, "Amendment relative to a bridge or tunnel across the Detroit River,—Yes;" and each person voting against such amendment, the words "Amendment relative to a bridge or tunnel across the Detroit River,—No." The ballots shall in all respects be canvassed, and returns be made as in elections of governor and lieutenant governor.

Received at the executive office May 29, 1879.*

[No. 30.]

JOINT RESOLUTION to provide for refunding moneys expended by certain counties of the state of Michigan in the support of the insane soldiers at the asylums for the insane.

WHEREAS, Certain counties of this state have borne the expense of maintaining at the asylums for the insane, the soldiers of the war of the rebellion resident in such counties, instead of requiring that such expense be defrayed by the state, as provided in act number ninety-one of the session laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the board of state auditors be and are hereby authorized and instructed to audit and provide for paying the claims of any and all the counties of this state, for moneys expended by such counties respectively, for the support of insane soldiers of the war of the rebellion, at the asylum for the insane, since the fifteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventy-three, when the provisions of the act requiring that such soldiers should be supported by the state become operative. And the state treasurer is also hereby instructed to pay to said several counties respectively, out of the general fund, the amounts of the orders so drawn by the board of state auditors.

Resolved, That this joint resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Approved May 29, 1879.

[No. 31.]

JOINT RESOLUTION authorizing the payment of compensation to the heir or heirs-at-law of Darius Clark, for services performed by him as agent of the state of Michigan, in the city of New York, during the late rebellion.

Whereas, Darius Clark, formerly of Marshall, in this state, but afterwards of the city of New York, and now deceased, was, on the first day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, commissioned by Austin Blair, then governor

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^{*}Became a law under section 14, article IV., of the constitution, without the approval of the governor.