

When county organized. SEC. 4. As soon as the said county commissioners shall be elected and qualified, the said county shall be deemed to be fully organized.

APPROVED 1st March, 1837.

In force March 2, 1837.

AN ACT to organize Henry county.

Manner of. SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the people of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly,* That the county of Henry shall be organized in the following manner to wit: Commissioners appointed. For the purpose of fixing the permanent seat of justice of said county, the following persons are appointed commissioners viz: Isaac Murphy of Warren county, Francis Voris of Peoria county, and James Rawalt of Fulton county, who or a majority of whom, being duly sworn before some justice of the peace of this State, faithfully to take into view the convenience of the people, the situation of the settlement, with an eye to the future population and eligibility of the place, shall meet at the house of Doctor Thomas Baker in said county, on the third Monday of June next, or as soon thereafter as may be, and proceed to examine and determine on a place for the permanent seat of justice of said county, and designate the same, *Provided,* Shall meet at. That the said county seat shall be located on lands belonging to the United States, if a site for said county seat on such lands can be found equally as eligible as by lands owned by individuals, but if the said location be made upon lands owned by individuals, the owner or owners thereof shall make a deed in fee simple to at least twenty acres of said land to the said county, and the proceeds of such quarter section, if the said county seat shall be located on government lands or of the proceeds of such lands deeded as aforesaid, if it be located on the property of individual or individuals, shall be appropriated to the erection of a sufficient court house and jail. Proviso. If on government lands. Must have a jail.

Where election shall be held. SEC. 2. An election shall be held at the house of George Brandenburg in said county, on the third Monday in June next, for one sheriff, one coroner, one recorder, one county surveyor, and three county commissioners, who shall hold their offices until the next general election, and until their successors are qualified, which said election shall be conducted in all respects agreeably to the laws of election, For sheriff and other officers. *Provided,* That the qualified voters present may elect from their own number, three qualified voters to act as judges Proviso.



of said election, who shall appoint two qualified voters to act as clerks. Voters may elect judges of.

SEC. 3. Until the public buildings shall be erected for the purpose, the courts shall be held at the house of said George Brandenburg, or at such other place as the county commissioners may direct.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the clerk of the county commissioners court of Knox county, to give at least ten days notice of the first election of county officers in said Henry county, and shall cause the same to be posted up at three of the most public places in said county. Notice of election how made.

SEC. 5. The commissioners appointed to locate said county seat, shall receive the sum of three dollars for each day by them necessarily spent in discharging the duties imposed on them by this act, to be allowed by the county commissioners court of said county, and to be paid out of the county treasury. Compensation of commissioners.

SEC. 6. After the election of county officers as herein provided, the persons elected county commissioners are hereby authorized to administer the oaths of office to each other, and they are severally authorized to administer the oaths of office to all the county officers, and said commissioners shall, within ten days after the election, meet together as a court, appoint a clerk, and lay off their county into justices districts, and order elections for justices of the peace and constables, at a time to be fixed by them, and the persons so elected shall have and exercise the same jurisdiction, hold their respective offices by the same tenure, and be under the same regulations in all respects, as other justices of the peace and constables of this State. Persons elected may administer oaths, Meeting of court. Shall lay off into districts.

APPROVED 2d March, 1837.

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AN ACT to define the western boundary line of Adams, Hancock, Warren and Mercer counties. In force march 3, 1837.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the people of the State of Illinois represented in the General Assembly,* That all that district of country included within the following boundary, shall be attached to and compose a part of the county of Adams, to wit: commencing on the bank of the Mississippi river, where the township line between the townships three and four south touches the said river, thence due west to the middle of the main channel of said river, thence up said river in the middle of the main channel thereof, to a point due west of the place where the township line between Boundary of Adams county.