

Sec 1

A Bill to Create and Organize the County of Scott
Be it enacted by the people of the State of Illinois
Represented in the General Assembly—

That all that part of Country situate within the follow-
ing boundary to wit, beginning in the center of the
Channel of the Illinois River, opposite the line between
Townships Seventh and Sixth North, thence running
East on said line, to the line between Ranges
and Thirtieth, thence South on said Range line
two Miles, thence East to the line between Ranges
Eleven and Twelve, thence South with said Range
line to the North West corner of section seven
in Township fourth North Range Eleven West,
thence East one Mile, thence South one Mile,
thence East one Mile, thence South one Mile,
thence East one Mile, thence South one Mile,
thence East one Mile, thence South to the North
West corner of section Eleven in Township
Third North, Range Eleven West, thence East
to the line between Ranges Ten and Eleven,
thence South with said line to the line divid-
ing Morgan and Green Counties, thence
West with said line to the center of ~~said~~ the
Illinois River, thence North with the Channel
of said River to the place of beginning, which

Sec 2

There shall be an election held on the third
Monday in March next in the Town of Winchester
and at the different places of voting for justices
of the peace and Constables in the limits of the
said County of Scott. The Election shall be
conducted by the present judges of Elections
in said County who have been appointed by
the County of Morgan according to the Election
Laws of this State.

at which Election the legal voters of the County of Scott shall elect all County officers for the County who shall be qualified and Commissioned as similar officers are in other Counties of this State, said officers so elected and qualified shall hold their offices until the next ensuing regular Election for such officers now provided by law, and shall have the same jurisdiction and discharge all the duties in the limits of the County of Scott that are required by law of similar officers in the other Counties of this State.

Sec 3. Within five days after said Election the judges of Election at the different places of voting shall return the poll Books of said Election to the Town of Winchester directed to Geo. Rowan John Hanback and Samuel Peck three acting Justices of the Peace in the limits of said County. And the said justices shall meet in the Town of Winchester within seven days after said Election and proceed to open said Election Returns, and to do and perform all the duties in relation to said returns that are required by law of the Clerks of County Commissioners Courts in relation to similar Returns.

Sec 4. As soon as the County officers shall have been elected and qualified as provided for in this act, the County shall be considered organized, and the Clerk of the County Commissioners Court shall give notice of the same to the judge of the first Judicial Circuit, who shall appoint a Clerk of the Circuit Court and shall hold Courts in the said County in the Town of Winchester.

Winchester

Said County of Scott shall form a part of the first judicial Circuit till otherwise ordered by law

Sec 5. Suits ^{and Engagements} that have been commenced or may hereafter be commenced in the Circuit Court of Morgan County by any of the Citizens living in the limits of the County of Scott before the organization thereof shall not be affected by this act but all such suits so commenced shall be decided in the Circuit Court of Morgan County

Sec 6. The said County of Scott shall at the next regular Election for Senators and Representatives to the General Assembly ~~shall~~ be entitled to elect one Representative to the General Assembly and the County of Morgan four Representatives and the County of Scott shall vote with Morgan to elect one Senator until the next apportionment of Representatives provided for by the Constitution of the State

Sec 7. All Justices of the peace and Constables elected in the County of Morgan who reside in the limits of the County of Scott shall hold their offices and have jurisdiction in the said County of Scott as though they had been originally elected in said County

Sec 8. The school funds belonging to the several Townships in said County and all notes and Mortgages pertaining to the same shall be paid and delivered over to the School Commissioners of the County of Scott by the School Commissioners of the County of Morgan so soon as the said County shall be organized and the Commissioners

~~and~~ of School lands appointed and qualified according to law. together with all Interest arising out of said money. that has not been hitherto Expended for School purposes in that part of Morgan County now included in the County of Scott

Sec. 9.

The seat of justice of said County shall be and permanently remain at Winchester upon the following Condition. That the President and Trustees of said Town consent that the Courthouse of said County shall be upon the public square. or on a lot adjoining said square. at the option of said President and Trustees. said lot to be procured by said President and Trustees. and a good title conveyed to said County. and shall erect a court house there on for the use of said County. upon a plan and with materials to be agreed on by the County Commissioners of said County within three Years from the time at which the said County Commissioners shall agree upon such plan and materials. and notify the President and Trustees thereof. provided the cost thereof shall not exceed three thousand five hundred Dollars. and further that said President and Trustees will build a jail for the use of said County upon a lot or place procured by the County Commissioners aforesaid upon a plan agreed upon by them within two Years. from the time said County Commissioners shall agree upon a plan and notify said President and Trustees thereof. provided the cost thereof shall not exceed one thousand five hundred Dollars provided further that if the Courthouse shall cost more than the sum ^{herein} specified

the excess shall be deducted from the cost of the jail, or if less, the difference to be added to the price of the jail if necessary, it being the object of this section ^{to} require an equal expenditure of five thousand dollars by the president and trustees in the erection of the Courthouse and jail, and no more, and that sum may be used in building the Courthouse alone, or may be divided in the erection of both the buildings in such proportion as the County Commissioners of said County shall direct, and that the aforesaid expenditure shall be made within the time agreed for the erection of said buildings.

Sec 10.

In case of failure on part of said trustees to comply with the foregoing sections, the County Commissioners Court of said County shall locate the County seat of said County at some eligible point at or near ~~the~~ the center of said County, and shall make it a condition in the Location, that at least twenty acres of land shall be conveyed to the County to be laid off into town lots streets and alleys, and the proceeds of the sales of said lots to be appropriated to the erection of public buildings for the use of said County.

Sec 11

In order to ascertain the cost of the buildings required by the preceding sections, the County Commissioners shall so soon as they agree upon the plan of said buildings appoint two competent Mechanicks to act with two to be appointed by the said President and Trustees and a fifth to be chosen by the

four appointed as aforesaid, to make a full and definite bill of the work and materials required in the erection of said buildings, and the cost or value thereof, and the persons so selected shall make such Bill of work, and materials and ~~the value~~ the value thereof, and ^{deliver} direct one copy of the same to the County Commissioners Court or to their Clerk, and one copy to said Prisons and Trustees, or their Clerk. Which bill when so made by said Mechanics, shall be conclusive upon the parties, and shall regulate them in the application of the five thousand Dollars provided. However, that no Mechanics shall be chosen under the provisions of this act Section who reside in the Town of Winchester. The foregoing Committee of Mechanics, shall before entering on the duties assigned them by this Section each take an oath or affirmation ~~to~~ faithfully and impartially ~~and~~ ~~impartially~~ to discharge the duties ~~of~~ assigned them by this Section. This act to take effect from and after its passage.

[H.B. 133]

A bill to amend
 to establish the
 County of Loudoun

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Wm. Engled,
 Clerk

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