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[No. 75.]

AN ACT REVISING AND AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened*, That all that territory situated in the parish of Jefferson, on the left bank of the Mississippi river, descending, and comprised within the upper line of the parish of Orleans, commencing at the Mississippi river; thence along said line until it intersects the upper line of Rickerville; thence along the upper line of Rickerville to the Mississippi river; and the inhabitants thereof shall be a body corporate by the name of City of Jefferson, and by that name they and their successors shall be known in law, and shall possess and have the power of exercising all the rights and powers of municipal corporations generally, not inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this act and the Constitution and laws of this State and of the United States.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the said city shall be and hereby is divided into five wards, namely: Ward No. 1 shall comprise all that portion between the lower line of the city and the center of General Taylor street, and shall be entitled to two aldermen. Ward No. 2 all that portion between the center of General Taylor street and the center of Napoleon Avenue, and shall be entitled to two aldermen. Ward No. 3 all that portion between the center of Napoleon Avenue and the center of Bordeaux and Upper Line streets, and be entitled to two aldermen. Ward No. 4 all that portion between the center of Bordeaux and the center of Valmont street, and be entitled to two aldermen. Ward No. 5 shall comprise all that portion between the center of Valmont street and the upper line of the city, or Joseph street, and shall be entitled to one alderman.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That on the first Monday of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, and every two years thereafter, at election precincts, one of which shall be established by the city council in each ward, there shall be chosen, by ballot, by the citizens of the ward qualified to vote by the laws of this State and the United States, and who shall be residents of the ward in which they offer to vote for ten days preceding the election, the aldermen allotted to each ward respectively by this act, and one mayor, one treasurer, one controller, all of whom shall be residents of the city at the time of their election, and who shall, when elected by the votes of the whole city, enter upon the discharge of the duties of their respective offices, on the third Monday following their election. The aldermen shall be voters in the wards for which they shall be elected.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the governor shall, upon the passage of this act, remove the present Board of Aldermen and other officers of said city, and appoint the mayor, treasurer, controller and aldermen, until the aforesaid officers shall have been elected and qualified as in accordance with section three.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the mayor shall see that the laws and ordinances of the city of Jefferson within its limits are properly executed. He shall be *ex officio* justice and conservator of the peace, but as such, have no civil jurisdiction; he shall have the general superintendence of the affairs of the city public works and places. He may call special meetings of the council, whenever he may deem the public good require it, and shall do so whenever requested, in writing, by three aldermen.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the treasurer shall correct and receive all taxes and other sums due the city, be the recipient and custodian of bills receivable and all other assets of the corporation, each particular of which shall be audited by the controller. He shall deposit in such bank as the City Council shall select, all moneys, bills receivable, dues and assets belonging to the corporation received by him. He shall make payment on the warrant of the controller only by checks to the order of and countersigned by the said controller, or in his absence or sickness, by the mayor. He shall keep a check book, in which deposits of money made by him shall fully appear, and any balance in bank in favor of the city shall at all times appear on the margin of said check book. He shall take a receipt from all persons for whose account he shall draw a check, which receipt shall fully and clearly set forth the consideration, and by virtue of what law or ordinance the amount receipted for was given. He shall balance his check book, bank book, and cash and account book with the controller weekly, and report the same to the council, and shall cancel, each week, in the presence of the mayor and chairman of the finance committee, all warrants and evidences of claims against the city paid by him, and make a full report of his transactions monthly to the council. He shall keep books in the form prescribed by the controller, and perform such other duties pertaining to his office, as the controller shall from time to time prescribe. Before entering upon the duties of his office he shall give bond in such sum and with such security as shall be approved by the Common Council of the city.

SEC. 7. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the controller shall have a general superintendence of the fiscal affairs of the corporation. He shall audit all claims and demands against or in favor of the city. No receipt of the treasurer or any other officer shall be valid or binding unless signed by him. No money shall be paid out of the treasury unless authorized by an ordinance or resolution of the Common Council and on a warrant signed by the controller. He shall, at the last meetings in the months of December and May, and at such other times as the Common Council may order, lay before it a full and detailed statement of the fiscal operations and conditions of the city. He shall perform such other duties pertaining to his office as the Common Council prescribe.

SEC. 8. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the City Council shall meet and organize by the choice of president from among their own number, and a secretary, on the second Monday following their election or appointment. They shall have power—

First—To decide upon the election and qualification of their own members and of the officers elected under this act.

Second—In case of the incapacity, negligence or malfeasance of any of its own members, or of any officer elected under this act, or by the Common Council, to declare the office vacant by a vote of two-thirds of its whole number; *Provided*, that in any case of vacancy should the unexpired term exceed six months, a new election shall be ordered for all officers elected by the people, otherwise the Common Council itself shall proceed to fill the vacancy, except it be in the case of an alderman.

Third—To fix the salaries of the officers elective by the people, which shall be done at least one month prior to any election, and, the salaries of all other officers and employés from time to time as they may deem proper.

Fourth—To appoint, at least twenty days before any municipal election, three commissioners of election in each ward, who shall be sworn and qualified by the mayor or any judge or justice of the peace to perform their duties as such faithfully. The rules of conducting the election and making returns shall be agreeable to the laws of the State for holding of elections.

Fifth—To appoint, in the month of January of each year, two assessors to assess and value the property subject to taxation, who shall take an oath to properly perform all the duties of assessors; they shall make out an accurate and distinct assessment roll of all property in said city subject to taxation, assessing each piece of property at a fair and proper valuation, and shall generally perform such duties and have such powers as pertain to State assessors. They shall enter upon the discharge of their respective duties immediately after their appointments, and complete the assessment roll on or before the first of July in each year; and shall, as soon as their labors are terminated, deposit the assessment roll in the office of the controller of the corporation, and shall cause to be published in the official journal and in one or more papers published in the city of New Orleans twenty days' notice, in French and English, that said assessment roll has been deposited in the controller's office, subject to the examination and inspection of all persons interested therein; and, during said twenty days, any who may consider himself aggrieved thereby shall have the right to file with said controller his opposition thereto, stating the grounds thereof in writing. The said assessors, at the expiration of the said twenty days, shall, without delay, meet, examine and determine upon any opposition filed as aforesaid, and make such alterations as the facts, in their judgment, may authorize; and any person whose opposition and application for the amendment of the assessment roll shall have been rejected in whole or in part shall have the right, within the next twenty days, to bring the matter before the council, and to appeal, within ten days, from any adverse action of the council theron to the district court of the parish where the case shall be tried summarily and without the intervention of a jury: *Provided*, That in case no opposition shall have been made or appeal taken as hereinbefore provided, and the assessors, or a majority of them, shall have made a written declaration at the foot of said assessment roll that the same is closed, so far as not opposed, naming the opposition, that thereafter said assessment roll shall be taken and received as conclusive proof as to its contents and corrections in any suit for the collection of taxes due to the corporation.

Sixth—To levy a tax each year, not exceeding one and a half per cent. on the assessment roll and no more, from which said tax the current expense of the city shall be provided for, provide for the payments of arrears and accruing interest upon the funded debt of the city; provide a sinking fund for said debt, and provide a fund for making specified improvements of streets, for payment of gas bills and public works, which (three last) amounts shall be kept separate, distinct and apart from the other funds of the city, be deposited in a chartered bank of the city of New Orleans, selected by the council for that purpose, to be drawn upon only for payment of the specified object for which the same were levied.

Seventh—To prescribe its own rules of government, not inconsistent with this act of incorporation.

Eighth—To enforce by fines and penalties a compliance with the ordinances of the corporation.

Ninth—To give directions to sue for and collect all fines and other sums due the city.

Tenth—It shall have entire control, through its officers, of all the streets, levees, wharfs, sidewalks, public squares and buildings of the city, provided that all things relating to the batture and the bank of the river and levee, said council shall pass no ordinance which may in any way interfere with the public thereto, or the board of commissioners of the second draining districts of the parishes of Orleans and Jefferson over the levees in front of the city.

Eleventh—In order to make the necessary ameliorations and improvements within the limits of the city, to make loans from time to time, of such amounts, and for periods of time as to them may seem necessary; *Provided*, The rate of interest stipulated to be paid upon the loan shall not exceed eight per cent. per annum, and provided that the amount raised by said loan shall not be used for any purpose other than that for which it was made.

Twelfth—When the proprietor of any land fronting on any public street or avenue, comprising one-fourth of the front of said street, shall petition the council therefor, the council shall cause the streets to be opened, widened or improved with banquettes, sidewalks, shell roads, or plank roads, or paved streets, the crossings and intersections of the streets and one-third of the roadway in front of property shall be at the expense of the city, and the sidewalks or banquettes, and one-third of the roadway or streets at the expense of the property owners, in front of whose property the same shall be made; *Provided*, That all such work shall be done by contracts adjudicated by the controller, under regulations to be prescribed by the council, to the lowest bidder; *And provided further*, That said contracts shall be subrogated to the rights of the city against the property in front of which such improvements may be made, releasing the city from any liability for the sum; *And provided further*, That the bills for such work, certified by the city surveyor and audited by the controller, when recorded, shall have a lien and privilege in favor of the contractor upon said property for five years from the date of recording said approved bill, with interest at eight per cent. thereon.

Thirteenth—The council shall establish and maintain, under rules and regulations to be enacted by itself, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State or the United States, public schools sufficient for the gratuitous education of the children residing within the limits of the city, who shall choose to attend, shall elect each year one superintendent of the public schools of the city, who shall report to the council from time to time all matters relative to the same, and fix his salary.

Fourteenth—The council shall annually elect such officers for the purpose of carrying out the object of this act, and prescribe such rules and regulations for their government as they shall deem necessary.

Fifteenth—To fix and collect a uniform rate of wharfage, in such a manner and for such an amount as he may deem expedient on all ships, steamboats, flatboats, rafts and other watercrafts of every description, landing at the levee; also a uniform rate of tax on all drays, carts, carriages, hacks and other vehicles of every description drawn on wheels, to be considered as a license, and when paid, to entitle said carriage or other vehicle to the right of being used temporarily anywhere in the State without any other license; and also upon all trades, occupations, professions, and pursuits whatsoever carried on or practiced within the limits of the corporation.

Sixteenth—To provide by ordinance for the filling up of lots to a proper grade of the city, when the proprietor neglects to do the same, in all cases where in its opinion the health of the city requires it, and to cause to be fenced in all property within certain limits, to be fixed by an ordinance of the city; and in order that this may be effectually done, it shall designate the work generally to be done, and direct the city surveyor to give notice in writing to each property holder to fill up or fence their lots, as the case may be, within a certain specified time, not less than three months from the service of such notice; *Provided*, That in case the proprietor of any lot shall be a non-resident, said notice shall be given by publication for three months in the city journal, giving in said notice the number of the lot to be filled or fenced, with the boundaries of the square in which the same is situated; and if, after the expiration of the time given in said notice, the filling or fencing shall not have been done, the city surveyor shall report the same to the council, who may cause the work of filling up said lots or fencing the same, as the case may be, and after such notice as it may determine, in the official journal, to be adjudicated by contract to the lowest bidder, subrogating the contractor to all the rights of the city against the property thus fenced and filled; and the certificate of the surveyor that the work has been done, when duly audited by the controller and being recorded in the mayor's office of the parish, shall constitute and create a lien in favor of the contractor, on said property, for the amount of the bill, with eight per cent interest from the date of recording until paid.

Seventeenth—To cause to be removed or abated all nuisances, and to ordain and establish any and all police regulations consistent with the laws of this State, for the preservation of the health and property of the citizens, for the well ordering of the affairs of the corporation, for preventing the stoppage or obstruction of the streets, sidewalks, levees, roads or public places within the limits of the corporation.

Eighteenth—To open, widen, straighten, extend or improve any street, road, sidewalk or public place, or to change, alter, repair or enlarge the levee, build or improve the wharves in front of the city; *Provided*, that whenever for any of these purposes private property is to be taken, encroached upon or used, the council shall previously have given thirty days' notice of its intention in the official journal of the proposed improvements and expropriation of private property, and subsequently pursue such course as shall be prescribed hereafter.

Nineteenth—To pass an ordinance over the veto of the mayor by two-thirds of the votes of all the members elect of the council; *Provided*, that any ordinance remaining unsigned by the mayor after the next regular meeting of the council, if five days shall have intervened since the passage shall become valid without his signature, unless the same shall have been returned with his veto; and *provided further*, that a majority of all the members of the council shall be necessary to constitute a quorum.

SEC. 9. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That all city taxes, except levee dues, shall be payable at the office of the city treasurer, from the first Monday of March to the first Monday of September of each year, of which the taxpayers shall have notice in the official journal, and in such manner as the council shall determine; that on the first Monday of September of each year the treasurer shall publish a list of all unpaid tax bills in the official journal for twenty days, notifying the delinquent tax-payers that unless the same shall have been paid before the expiration of twenty days, with interest, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, from the first Monday of September preceding, and twenty-five cents for cost of advertising, the same shall be put in suit in a court of competent jurisdiction, which said court shall be warned by the city council, and should any tax bill, at the end of said twenty days, remain unpaid, the treasurer shall file said tax bills in the court so named by the council and shall, upon exhibiting the assessment roll and filing copies of the papers in which said notices were printed, at once have judgment entered up in favor of the city, and against said delinquent tax-payer, for the amount of the tax bill, with interest as hereinbefore mentioned, and twenty-five cents cost of notice and cost of suit, which costs of court are hereby limited at one dollar on each tax bill, and which judgment thus readered, when signed by the judge, shall be valid and executable, without any further formalities in obtaining the same. The treasurer shall also cause to be recorded in the office of the mayor of the parish, all tax bills, which remain unpaid on the fourth Monday of September, each year, as showing a recorded lien upon the property subject to the taxation; *Provided*, That for each bill thus recorded, the mayor of the parish shall receive ten cents, and the further sum of fifteen cents for each cancellation, and giving certificate for the same, which fees for recording and cancelling shall be taxed as additional costs in all suits brought upon said tax bills, and the mayor of the parish, or any notary who shall pass an act of sale of property within the limits of this corporation without requiring to be exhibited to him proof that the city taxes have been paid for five years past due, shall be liable on his official bond to the city of Jefferson for all taxes which may not at the time of passing the act have been paid, together with the accumulated interests and costs; and the mayor of the city of Jefferson shall record no act of sale which shall not certify to the fact that all taxes due the city of Jefferson for the preceding five years have been paid, or the fact of payment shall be shown by the certificate of the treasurer of the city of Jefferson that there remain no taxes due or unpaid upon the property, the title to which is sought to be recorded, under like penalty.

SEC. 10. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That whenever the mayor and council shall be desirous of opening, straightening, widening, or extending any street, sidewalk, or public place, should it become necessary for such purpose, to expropriate or use any property belonging to individuals, it shall pursue the following course:

First—Shall cause public notice to be given in the city journal for one month of the nature of the proposed improvements and in one newspaper in the city of New Orleans.

Second—It shall then by petition, annexing at least three copies of the newspaper in which said notice was inserted, and a plat of survey made by the city surveyor, under direction of the council, of the property proposed to be expropriated, addressed to the district court, requesting the appointment of three disinterested persons, competent jurors in said district, which said commissioners shall be appointed by the court and sworn by the clerk of the court to faithfully discharge the duties of their appointment.

Third—Said commissioners shall, as soon after their appointment as practicable, repair to the place of the contemplated expropriation, and make an assessment and valuation of the proprety, a part of which is thus sought to be thus expropriated, as also the lots, lands, and premises adjacent thereto, giving their full cash value as they are and would be, without the contemplated improvement being made, the actual cash value of the lots, land, and premises as they would be were the improvements actually made, and showing on a tableau of their assessments by the difference between the two assessments the actual loss and damages to be sustained or actual benefits and advantages to be received by the several owners of property contained in their assessment, which report, dated and signed by them, the said commissioners shall return into court and file with the clerk on or before the day fixed for that purpose by the court, in the order appointing them.

Fourth—Public notice for twenty days shall be given of the filing of this report of the commissioners, in the official journal of the city and in one newspaper in the city of New Orleans, calling upon all persons interested to show cause why said report should not be homologated and made the basis of a judgment, expropriating the lands, etc., to the public use.

Fifth—That on due proof of said publication the Court shall homologate the report, so far as not approved, and enter up a judgment decreeing the expropriation of the lands, etc., prayed for, and for such sum for and against the city, or the various individuals, as the case may be, which aid report may call for, with eight per cent. interest thereon from the date of judgment.

Sixth—That should there be any oppositions to said report as to the amounts allowed or exacted, no other opposition is to be allowed, the court shall fix a time for the hearing of said opposition at as early a day as practicable, and shall try the same in a summary manner, and without the intervention of a jury. The judgment of homologation, and on the oppositions, to be subject to appeals to the Supreme Court in all cases where the amount in dispute is appealable. The trial of said appeals being entitled to a preference over all other cases, except those in which the State is a party.

Seventh—That the amount decreed to be paid by the city shall be due and payable whenever the city shall take possession of the property expropriated, and the amount due to the city shall bear mortgages and lien upon the property upon which it was assessed.

SEC. 11. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That in all proceedings in courts, such as writs of sequestration or injunctions, or in appeals, the corporation is dispensed from giving security, and on affidavit of the mayor that the interest of the city requires it, shall be entitled to have all cases fixed by preference in the inferior courts as well as in the Supreme Court over all other cases, except those in which the State is a party.

SEC. 12. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the city shall cause a plan book of all the squares of the city to be made, on which shall appear the sub-division of each square into lots with the dimensions of all lots, squares, streets and banquettes, and the angle at each corner of each square, as at present divided, as well as the present owner or owners of each lot and square, which plan book shall be kept deposited in the city surveyor's office, and no new sub division of a square shall be considered lawful, unless the same shall have first been made by the city surveyor and approved by the city council and been entered on the book of plans; the mayor of the city is prohibited from recording any sale made after the completion of said plan book, of any property within the limits of the city of Jefferson in which any other sub-division shall appear than that authorized by said book of plans, under a penalty of one hundred dollars for each violation of this section, to be collected in any court of competent jurisdiction, for the benefit of the city. And in order to this the certificate of the surveyor shall be given in every required case that the acts of sale correspond with the divisions and sub-divisions as shown on the book of plans approved and on file in his office; and the mayor of the city of Jefferson is hereby required to report to the city surveyor, within forty-eight hours after the recording of an act, every transfer recorded by him of property within the limit of the corporation, under a penalty of five dollars for each day's delay; which transfer shall be entered by the city surveyor in the margin of the book of plans, on the opposite page of the plan book of the square in which the property so transferred is situated. The fees of the mayor of the parish for such certificate is fixed at twenty-five cents for each transfer.

SEC. 13. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the act approved March 8, 1867, entitled "an act incorporating the city of Jefferson," and all acts amendatory or supplemental thereto, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 14. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) CHAS. W. LOWELL,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate
Approved September 14, 1868.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

[No. 76.]

AN ACT TO FIX THE TERMS OF THE DISTRICT COURTS IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened*, That the jury terms of the district courts shall be held in the third judicial district as follows, to wit:

Parish of Lafourche—On the first Monday of March and first Monday of September.

Parish of Terrebonne—On the first Monday of April and on the first Monday of October.

Parish of St. Mary—On the first Monday of May and on the first Monday of November.

Parish of St. Martin—On the first Monday of June and on the first Monday of December.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That so much of the act entitled an act to fix the terms of the district courts in the third and eighth judicial districts, approved February the fourteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, as relates to the terms of court in the third judicial district, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That this act shall take effect from and after the first day of September next after the passage of this act.

(Signed) CHAS. W. LOWELL,
Spesker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved Sept. 15, 1868.
H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

[No. 77.]

AN ACT TO CREATE A RECORDER'S COURT IN THE CITY OF JEFFERSON.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened*, That the governor shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one competent person, citizen of the City of Jefferson, who shall be recorder of said city.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the said recorder is hereby vested with the same power and authority as are exercised by the recorders of the city of New Orleans in all criminal matters within the limits of the City of Jefferson. He shall be committing magistrate in criminal cases, and shall hold his court daily from nine o'clock A. M. until three o'clock P. M., or longer if necessary.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That the recorder appointed under this act be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to commit for all crimes, misdemeanors and offenses against the State. He shall try and punish all offenses against the City of Jefferson, according to the laws and ordinances of said city.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That all fines collected by said recorder's court shall be paid into the treasury of the City of Jefferson weekly. He shall have the right to appoint a clerk, who shall receive a salary of twelve hundred dollars, payable monthly by the City of Jefferson.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That said recorder shall do, perform and conduct said court in all things in the same manner as do the recorders of the city of New Orleans, except he may punish offenses against the laws and ordinances of the City of Jefferson, as stated in section three of this act. He shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars, payable monthly by the city of Jefferson.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) CHAS. W. LOWELL,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved September 15, 1868.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

[No. 78.]

AN ACT RELATITE TO THE APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CLERKS OF DISTRICT COURTS.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened*, That clerks of district courts shall have the right to appoint as many deputies as they may deem advisable, who shall perform ministerial acts only, and who shall take the oath prescribed by the Constitution of the State, and who shall discharge the duties imposed upon them as such by law; *Provided*, That it shall be the duty of the clerk of each district court in this State to appoint a deputy competent to discharge the duties of minute clerk to such court when the clerk does not perform this duty, and no such deputy clerk shall act as minute clerk until his appointment shall be approved by the judge of such court.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage, and all laws and parts of laws conflicting therewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

(Signed) CHAS. W. LOVELL,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved September 15, 1868.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

[No. 79.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TUTORSHIP OF THE MINOR CHILDREN OF R. W. AND S. L. GODWIN, DECEASED.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened*, That Joseph Hay and Mrs. Virginia Godwin, his wife, of the county of St. Charles, and State of Missouri, be and they are hereby authorized to apply for the tutorship of the minor children of R. W. Godwin and Sarah L. Godwin, late of the parish of Jefferson, deceased, viz: of Mary Godwin, Sallie Godwin and Lilla Godwin, and they shall be confirmed as tutor and tutrix, notwithstanding their residence in the State of Missouri, upon giving such reasonable bond as may be required by the parish judge of the parish of Jefferson, with the usual conditions, and with the usual sureties resident anywhere in the State of Louisiana, or in the event such sureties cannot be obtained, then upon like sureties resident in the State of Missouri, and certified as to their solvency and sufficiency by the court holding probate jurisdiction in and for said county of St. Charles.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) CHAS. W. LOWELL,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved September 15, 1868.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

[No. 80.]

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF R. B. LOVE.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened*, That the auditor of public accounts be and is hereby authorized to issue his warrant on the State treasurer in favor of R. B. Love, for the sum of five hundred dollars, in payment of a reward offered by the lieutenant governor and acting governor of the State, for the arrest of J. N. Mathews, indicted for murder, and J. N. Mathews, having been arrested by R. B. Love.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted, etc.*, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) CHARLES W. LOWELL,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved September 15, 1868.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEORGE E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

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