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Acts of 1851-52 Chapter 22

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SECTION 1. That the above mentioned act is and that the same be hereby revived and re-enacted and in full force and effect, as if the same had not by its operation become repealed or extinct, with the following additional amendments and alterations.

COMPILER'S NOTE: The act being revived was Acts of 1849-50, Chapter 61, establishing Union County.

SEC. 2. That the boundary line of said county of Union, in and through the fraction taken from Knox County in forming the same, be that run and marked last by the commissioners named in the act this is intended to amend, with such alterations as the commissioners hereinafter appointed may think proper, and the same being legal under said act to make. And that the call for boundary in said act, calling from the top of the Log Mountains, north twenty-five east one hundred ninety-two poles to a sugar tree, near John Beeler's, being the true call.

SEC. 3. That in lieu of the commissioners appointed in the act which this is intended to amend, that the following persons be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, with all the powers and privileges, and subject to the duties that are required of the commissioners heretofore appointed; Isaac, C. Dyer, of Campbell county, William Neadham, of Claiborne county, John Bullard, of Grainger county, Hardin Scaggs, of Knox county, and James Turner, of Anderson county.

SEC. 4. That the court house and county town of Union county, be and the same is hereby located, and to be laid off and built under the direction of said commissioners in the Raccoon Valley, near Liberty Meeting House in said Valley, on a site offered to be ceded gratuitously of some twenty-three acres, and warranted by the Rev. Mark Munroe and others to said commissioners for the purpose of locating said town. That the same be laid out and built on the most convenient and eligible point of such cession, after the said commissioners taking to themselves and their successors in office added in fee simple, with general warranty from the present owners of such cession, and any other that may be offered by them or by them purchased at or near said site.

SEC. 5. That an act passed by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, on the 1st of February, 1850, entitled "an act requiring notice to be given for the formation of new counties," be and the same is hereby repealed, so far as it may conflict with the establishing of Union county, the citizens thereof having petitioned the legislature before the passage of said act.

SEC. 6. That if the new county of Union shall fail to organize against the first Saturday in March next, so that she may thereby fail to elect the necessary county officers, that the commissioners herein appointed, or such persons as they may designate, may at any time thereafter, said county may be organized, first giving twenty days' notice at the voting in every district in said county, open and hold elections for all necessary county officers.

SEC. 7. That it shall be necessary to open and hold an election in all the different fractions composing the county of Union, to ascertain the assent or dissent.

SEC. 8. That the northern boundary line of Union county be changed in the following manner: Leaving Powell's river eighty poles above Fullington's saw-mill; run thence a south west course to the head of a hollow near Thomas Brantly's; leaving said Brantly in Campbell county; thence down said hollow to Powell's river, below Quinton Sweat's, leaving said Sweat in Campbell county.

SEC. 9. That said Union county shall be constituted and formed according to the above provisions. Provided, No one of the old counties, from which a fraction is taken, shall be reduced below the number of square miles required by the constitution of the State.

SEC. 10. That any sheriff or revenue collectors who have gone out of office, or those now in office from all the counties from which fractions are taken off, for the formation of Union county, shall have two years, from and after the passage of this act, to collect any taxes which are now due and unpaid to said sheriffs, with as full power and authority as though no such county had been formed.

Passed, December 6, 1851.

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