

twelfth Monday after the first Monday in September, 1856. Shall be returnable to said court on the fourteenth Monday after the first Monday in September 1856; and shall be as valid as if the same had been returned to said court on the twelfth Monday after the first Monday in September, and all causes triable in said court, at the term mentioned in the section of the above entitled act, amended by this act shall be triable at the term of said court, specified in this act.

Sec. 3. This act take effect from and after it passage.

Approved, August 27th, 1856.

CHAPTER CXXXVII.

An Act authorizing a sale of a portion of the United States Bonds, now in the Treasury of the State.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That the Comptroller of the State is hereby authorized and required to dispose, at public sale, of such an amount of the United States Bonds, now in the Treasury, to the credit of the State account, as may be required from time to time, to meet the expenses of Government, and such appropriations as may be called for during the years 1856 and 1857.

Sec. 2d. That the Comptroller shall be governed in the sale or sales of said Bonds, by the stipulations and regulations of "An Act providing for the sale of one million of the Bonds of the United States, being a part of the indemnity received for the sale of a portion of the north-western Territory of the State of Texas," approved February 16th, 1852; and such sales may be had at such times and in such amounts, of not less than fifty thousand dollars at a time, as the wants of the Treasury may require.

Sec. 3rd. That this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, August 28th, 1856.

CHAPTER CXXXVIII.

An Act to create the county of Palo Pinto.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That all the territory lying within the following

limits: beginning on the south-west corner of Parker county; thence north with said line of Parker county, 30 miles to the north-west corner of said county; thence west 30 miles, to a corner; thence south to a point which is north 30° west, from the west corner of Erath county; thence in a direct line to the west corner of Erath county; thence following the boundaries of Erath and Parker counties, to the beginning, shall constitute a new county by the name of Palo Pinto.

Sec. 2. That the Chief-Justice of Bosque county shall, as soon as practicable, order an election to be held in Palo Pinto county, for the purpose of electing a Chief-Justice, County Commissioners, Sheriff, Clerk of the District Court and County Court, and all other county officers, and shall have power to qualify the Chief-Justice so elected.

Sec. 3rd. That the Chief-Justice of Palo Pinto county, after being qualified, as provided for by the previous section, shall have power to qualify the other county officers according to law.

Sec. 4th. That it shall be the duty of the Chief-Justice and County Commissioners of Palo Pinto county, when qualified, to select the county seat of said county, within five miles of the centre of said county; to lay off the county town, to designate the lots and land reserved for the use of the county, and to cause such buildings to be erected as are necessary for the use of said county, and any other business for the said county, not in conflict with the general laws.

Sec. 5th. That said county site shall be called Golconda, and that this act take effect from and after its passage.

Approved, August 27th, 1856.

CHAPTER CXXXIX.

An Act to create the county of Brown, ("in honor of Captain Henry S. Brown, now deceased, one of the early Pioneers of Texas.")

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That all that portion of Territory contained within the following limits, shall be created into a new county to be called Brown; beginning at the mouth of Pecan Bayou; thence N. 30° E. 14 miles to the south-west boundary of Comanche county; thence with said boundary N. 30° W. 38½