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hold and exercise the duties of their office for the term of six years; Provided, however, that the Brazos Synod may at their first regular session, or at a special session called for that purpose, so class the present Board of Trustees that the term of one-third of their members shall expire at the termination of two years; and the remaining third at the expiration of six years.

Sec. 11. That all the aforesaid acts of said Board of Trustees in the establishment of College buildings and furniture, apparatus and library, and any and all business in anywise appertaining thereto, be

and the same is hereby legalized by this Act.

Sec. 12. That the ten acres of land specified in this charter shall not extend over nor interfere with the corporate limits of the town of Larissa.

Sec. 13. That all vacancies occurring in the board of Trustees, or Faculty, by resignation or otherwise, and the election of the Faculty or any member thereof shall be done by the said Board, subject to the approval of said Brazos Synod, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved 2d February, 1856.

CHAPTER LII.

An Act for the relief of Basil Durbin.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office be, and he is hereby instructed to issue to Basil Durbin, of Jackson county, a certificate for one league of Land in consideration of his past services to Texas and his permanent disability from wounds received in the same. Said certificate shall be in all respects held and regarded as other genuine land certificates.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in full force from and

after its passage.

Approved, February 2nd, 1856.

CHAPTER LIII.

An Act donating to Mrs. Elizabeth Crockett one League of Land.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office be, and he is hereby authorized and required to issue to Mrs.



Elizabeth Crockett, a certificate for one league of land which may be located, surveyed and patented, upon any vacant and unappropriated public land of the State: Said certificate to be issued, and the land when surveyed, patented without fees: And whereas said Elizabeth Crockett is now residing on the Pacific Railroad reserve and wishes to remain thereon: Therefore, she is hereby authorized to locate and survey three hundred and twenty acres of land within said reserve, which shall be patented as if no such reserve existed.

Sec. 2. That this act take effect and be in force from and after

its passage.

Approved, Feb. 2nd, 1856.

CHAPTER LIV.

An Act to authorize John H. White, a Minor, to take charge of his Estate and transact business as though he were twenty-one years of age.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That John H. White, of Gonzales county, a minor, be, and he is hereby released from all the legal disabilities of minority, that he is hereby authorized to take charge of and manage his estate, real and personal, and transact business and be responsible and liable for his actions as though he were twenty-one years of age.

Sec. 2. That this act take effect and be in force from and after

its passage.

Approved, February 2nd, 1856.

CHAPTER LV.

An Act to incorporate the town of Rusk, in Cherokee County.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That the citizens of the town of Rusk be, and they are hereby declared a body corporate, by the name and style of the corporation of the town of Rusk, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and may hold and dispose of real and personal estate.

Sec. 2. That the limits of said corporation shall be bounded with the metes and bounds of said town plot, as now delineated upon the map and upon record in the clerk's office, of the County Court of Cherokee County.