

shall hereafter, in all public proceedings, be called and known by the name of the *Western District*.

VI. *Provided always, and it is hereby enacted*, That such alteration of the names of the said several Districts, shall not impeach, or be construed to impeach the validity of any existing commission, granted for the exercise of any authority or jurisdiction within the limits of the said Districts, or any of them, by the names herein before mentioned, or to make void any legal or other proceeding, had under and by virtue of the said commissions, or otherwise to affect the said commissions in any respect whatever.

Such alteration of names not to avoid commissions or legal proceedings.

VII. And for the better effectuating the building of the said Gaol and Court House in each of the said Districts, *Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, and it is hereby enacted, That the Justices of the Peace within the respective limits of their commissions, at the General Quarter Sessions assembled, shall be authorized, and they are hereby authorized, by such means as shall to them seem most fitting and convenient, to procure different plans and elevations of a Gaol and Court House, to be laid before them, for the purpose of selecting and determining upon one of the said plans and elevations, which shall be approved of by the greater part of the said Justices then and there assembled as aforesaid.

Magistrates in Quarter Sessions to procure different plans and elevations of a gaol and court house, and to approve of one, and

VIII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That it shall and may be lawful for any two or more of the said Justices, assembled in manner aforesaid, in the name and on the behalf of the inhabitants of the several Districts, to contract, and they are hereby enabled and authorized to contract, with any person or persons who shall be willing to build the said Gaol and Court House, according to the plan so approved of as aforesaid, upon a scite or situation to be determined upon by the said Justices, or the greater part of them, so assembled as aforesaid; and for that purpose, the said plan and elevation shall remain and continue in the office of the Clerk of the Peace of the said several Districts, for general inspection, and public notice shall be given to all persons willing to contract for the building of the said Gaol and Court House, to deliver in, within a certain limited time, written proposals or offers, under seal, of the sum of money for which he or they will engage to build such Gaol or Court House, conformably to certain articles and conditions, to be agreed upon by the Justices then present, or the greater part of them as aforesaid; and that the said Justices shall, on a day for that purpose previously to be fixed, openly examine the said proposals so delivered in as aforesaid, and shall be empowered and are hereby required, to contract with such person or persons as shall offer to undertake and perform the said buildings for the lowest price, provided the person or persons making such proposals, shall give and enter into good and sufficient security, to be approved of by the said Justices, or the greater part of them, in manner aforesaid, for the due performance of their contract.

to contract for building the same, agreeable thereto.

Public notice being given for receiving proposals, and the same examined, the lowest shall be accepted, provided the security be sufficient.

IX. *Provided always*, That it be an article within the said contract, and the person or persons so contracting shall engage, that the said Gaol and Court House shall be completed within eighteen calendar months after the execution of the said contract.

When to be completed.