

of this State, to vote for or against a prohibitory liquor law; such vote shall be by ballot, written or printed or partly written and partly printed, and shall contain the words, "prohibitory liquor law, no," or "prohibitory liquor law, yes," and the ballot so cast, shall be canvassed and returned in the same manner as the votes cast for state officers are required by law to be canvassed and returned, and the secretary of state shall immediately, on the completion of said canvass, publish a statement of the result thereof in some newspaper printed at the seat of government, and shall communicate the same to the next legislature at the commencement of its next session.

Duty of inspectors.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of inspectors of elections at the several election polls of this State, to provide separate boxes in which to deposit the ballots herein provided to be cast.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, July 6, 1853.

Chap. 102

An act to change the place of holding courts in the county of Brown, and for other purposes.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. That an act entitled "an act to change the place for holding courts in the county of Brown," approved January 13th, 1840, also an act entitled "an act to change the place of holding courts in said county of Brown," approved February 10, 1847, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. That all writs, process and proceedings of said courts shall hereafter be made returnable at Depere, and be as valid as if the said courts were held at Green Bay.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved, July 11, 1843.

Chap. 103

An act to provide for the punishment of murder in the first degree, and to abolish the penalty of death.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. In all convictions under the statutes of this

State, for the crime of murder in the first degree, the penalty shall be imprisonment in the state prison, during the life of the person so convicted; and the punishment of death, for such offence, is hereby abolished.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts, contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved, July 12, 1853.

An act to authorize the Secretary of State to audit certain accounts.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Chap. 104 Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. In all cases in which any law, or notice, has been or shall be published in a newspaper of this State, by virtue of any provision of law, authorizing any state officer to direct such publication at the expense of the State, it shall be the duty of the secretary of state to audit the account for such publication, and to draw an order upon the state treasurer therefor, specifying the account upon which such order is drawn, and the treasurer shall pay the same, in like manner as other appropriations are paid.

SEC. 2. When no other provision has been or shall be made, as to the compensation therefor, it shall be the same as is by law established for the publication of legal advertisements.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved, July 12, 1853.

An act to amend an act providing for the organization of a separate Supreme Court.

Chap. 105

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. That section four of chapter three hundred and ninety five, of session laws of 1852, be and the same is hereby so amended, that two of the justices of said court, shall constitute a quorum for the hearing and deciding of all causes, suits and proceedings at law or in equity, and transacting business in said court: *Provided, however,* In any suit or proceeding in which had of said question have acted as counsel or are otherwise disqualified, the same shall be heard and decided by the question has so disqualified.