

CHAPTER 76.

[Published April 3, 1872.]

AN ACT relating to the account of the overseer of highways.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Shall read publicly a statement of highway taxes.

SECTION 1. It is hereby made the duty of the chairman or clerk of the town board of each town in this state, to read publicly, at the annual town meeting of said town, from the account of each overseer of highways, as required by section fifty of chapter one hundred and fifty-two of the general laws of 1869, the total amount of highway tax in his district, the amount of tax paid in money, the amount of money received from the town treasurer on account of returned taxes on real estate, or paid into the town treasury by a former overseer in such district, the manner in which all taxes collected and received by him have been disbursed, and the particular items of such disbursement, the amount of money unexpended, and paid to the town treasurer.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 77.

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AN ACT to declare the record of a certain decree in partition to be evidence.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows.

Record of decree to be evidence.

SECTION 1. The record of a certified copy of a decree in partition in an action in the circuit court for the county of Sheboygan, between Daniel Whitney, plain-

tiff, and Winthrop W. Gilman and others, defendants, decreeing partition of certain lands and lots in the city and town of Sheboygan, and which is now recorded in volume 80 of deeds, on pages 176 to 188 of said volume, in the office of the register of deeds of said county of Sheboygan, is hereby declared to be a lawful record in said office, and the said record, and copies thereof, certified in due form by the register of deeds of said county, shall be received in evidence in all actions or proceedings involving in any manner the title to any or all of the lots or lands described in said records, such records having been destroyed by fire.

SECTION 2. The record of said copy of decrees, and copies thereof duly certified by said register, are hereby declared to be *prima facie* evidence that the several persons and parties to whom the said lots and lands were set apart and decreed by said court as the same appears in said record, were then the owners in fee and severally of the lots and lands set apart and decreed to them respectively by said court.

Certified copy of record to be prima facie evidence.

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

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CHAPTER 78.

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AN ACT declaring the record of wills in certain cases to be evidence.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. When a will shall have been duly proved in the proper court of any state or foreign country, a duly certified copy of such will and of the certificate of probate thereof shall be admitted as evidence in the courts of this state, the same as if the will had been duly proved in this state.

Certified copy of will to be evidence.

SECTION 2. Section 22 of chapter 97 of the revised statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Amended.

"All wills which shall have been duly proved and allow-

Wills proved in other states to