

between Prairie du Chien, in the state of Wisconsin, and North McGregor, in the state of Iowa, by John Lawler and the Prairie du Chien and McGregor railway company, provided that said bridge shall conform to the acts of congress regulating bridges on the Mississippi river, be and is hereby declared to be a lawful structure.

SECTION 2. That the owner or owners of said bridge, their heirs, successors or assigns, shall have the right to keep, maintain, use and operate, lease, sell or assign the same for the transfer of railway cars and trains, both passenger and freight, and may also establish over it a highway or wagon road, for the transit of persons and property, and for these purposes shall have the right to acquire title to the necessary real estate in the manner provided by chapter one hundred and nineteen of the general laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two.

Owners may acquire and keep necessary real estate.

SECTION 3. The pontoons or draw of said bridge shall be, one draw in the eastern channel not less than two hundred and sixty feet clear, and one draw in the western or principal channel not less than four hundred feet in the clear, which draws shall be suitably flanked by shear booms, and said structure shall be at all times kept and managed so as to offer reasonable, safe and proper means for the passage of boats, vessels, rafts and logs through said structure without unnecessary delay.

Prescribing width of dam, etc.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 14, 1874.

CHAPTER 27.

[Published February 19, 1874.]

AN ACT to provide for the appointment of fire wardens in certain cases.

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

SECTION 1. The board of supervisors of any town in the counties of Ashland, Bayfield and Douglas are hereby authorized to appoint, and it is hereby made their duty to appoint, upon the petition of ten resident freeholders of any unincorporated village in

Board of supervisors shall appoint fire wardens.

any of said towns, a suitable person to perform the duties of fire warden for said village or villages.

Qualifications
of fire wardens.

SECTION 2. Such fire warden shall be a resident of the village in which he is to act, and shall be a freeholder therein, and shall hold his office for one year from the date of his appointment.

Providing for
their removal.

SECTION 3. The town board may remove said fire warden from office if found guilty by them of neglect of duty or malfeasance in said office, *provided*, that such charges shall be in writing and that a copy thereof shall be served upon the accused at least ten days before the trial of said charges. Upon the removal of any such fire warden in such manner, it shall be the duty of said board immediately to fill the vacancy thereby created, and the person so appointed shall hold the office for the unexpired term of his predecessor.

Filling vacan-
cies.

Duties of fire
wardens.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of said fire warden to take all necessary and proper means for the prevention of fires in said village, and to that end he may at any time enter into or open any house, storehouse or other building or enclosure within said village, for the purpose of inspecting the same, and with a view to guard against fire. It shall be the duty of said fire warden to enter any building within the limits of said village where he may have reason to believe danger of fire exists, in consequence of any chimney, pipe, lamp, gas fixtures, or from any other cause, and give directions to the owner or occupants for such changes, repairs or modifications as shall render the premises safe so far as may be from fire. Such directions shall be in writing, and if the owner or occupant deem the same burdensome, unnecessary or unjust, he may appeal to the chairman of the town board therefrom, and immediately upon such appeal it shall be the duty of the said chairman to inspect immediately said premises, and if he shall agree with said fire warden, he shall endorse his approval on said written directions of said fire warden. If he shall not approve said directions of said fire warden so appealed from, he may modify the same, and if so he shall endorse his modification of said directions on the same. If the directions of said fire warden be not appealed from within two days from the time they are given, and the owner or occupant shall fail to obey the said directions within three days he shall, upon conviction of neglect so to do, in any justice's court in said town, be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than twenty dollars. If after an appeal has been taken, and the directions of said warden shall have been approved, the said owner or occupant

Shall give writ-
ten directions.

Appeals, how
taken.

Failure to obey,
how punished.

shall fail to obey the said directions within three days from the approval of the same by the said chairman, he shall, upon conviction of such neglect, be fined not less than ten nor more than twenty dollars.

SECTION 5. The said warden shall be entitled to receive for his said services the sum of two dollars per day: *provided, however,* that said warden shall not receive more than sixty dollars in any one year, the said sum to be paid out of the general town fund. Compensation
of fire wardens.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved February 17, 1874.

CHAPTER 28.

[Published February 19, 1874.]

AN ACT to repeal chapter 101 of the general laws of 1863, entitled an act to provide for the application of the five per cent. collection fees on delinquent taxes in the counties of Calumet and Wood, and of chapter 27, general laws of 1864, being amendatory thereto.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 101, of the general laws of 1863, entitled an act to provide for the application of the five per cent. collection fees on delinquent taxes in the counties of Calumet and Wood, and of chapter 27, general laws of 1864, being amendatory thereto, are hereby repealed. Relating to fees
on delinquent
taxes.

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

Approved February 17, 1874.