

His compensation.

board, and shall receive such compensation as shall be fixed by said board, not exceeding twelve hundred dollars a year, to be paid quarterly in the same manner said commissioners are paid.

Sec. of state to be notified of appointment of clerk.

SECTION 2. As soon as said board shall have appointed said clerk, they shall certify the same to the secretary of state, and shall also notify him of any change made by order of the board.

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

Approved March 12, 1874.

## CHAPTER 291.

[Published March 26, 1874.]

AN ACT to authorize the governor of the state to convey land to the United States for the purpose of erecting light houses and other aids to navigation, and for other purposes.

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

Governor authorized to convey title to the United States.

SECTION 1. Whenever the United States desire to acquire title to land belonging to the state, and covered by the navigable waters of the United States, within the limits thereof, for the site of a light house, beacon or other aid to navigation, and application is made by a duly authorized agent of the United States, describing the site required for one of the purposes aforesaid, then the governor of the state is authorized and empowered to convey the title to the United States, and to cede to the United States jurisdiction over the same: *provided*, no single tract shall contain more than ten (10) acres, and that the state shall retain concurrent jurisdiction, so far that all process, civil or criminal, issuing under the authority of the state, may be executed by the proper officers thereof upon any person or persons amenable to the same within the limits of lands so ceded in like manner and to like effect as if this act had never been passed.

Proviso.

In case of appropriation of a damage to lands by the United States, the injury or damage how ascertained.

SECTION 2. In case the lands of any person have been overflowed or injured or taken, or if it shall be found necessary or proper hereafter to overflow, injure or take the bonds [lands] of any person for, or by reason of the construction of any dam, bridge, lock or pier, or the repair or enlargement thereof, or the con-

struction, repair or enlargement of any canal or other works by the United States government in the improvement of any harbor, river or stream of water in this state, the compensation for damages sustained by the owner or owners of the lands overflowed, injured or taken as aforesaid, may be ascertained, determined and paid in the same manner as prescribed in chapter 119 of the laws of 1872, entitled "an act in relation to railroads and the organization of railroad companies," approved March 22, 1872, for acquiring title to lands by railroad companies; and all the provisions of said act may apply in case of the overflowing, injury or taking of lands by the United States government for the purposes aforesaid, which are properly applicable thereto.

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

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## CHAPTER 292.

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AN ACT to amend section 36 of chapter 119 of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act in relation to railroads and the organization of railroad companies."

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

SECTION 1. That section thirty-six of chapter one hundred and nineteen of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act in relation to railroads and railroad companies," is hereby amended by adding thereto the following, viz: Any railroad company now existing under the laws of this state, and whose line is wholly within this state, is hereby authorized and empowered to lease or purchase the railroad track, right of way, depot ground, rights, privileges, franchises, rolling stock, furniture, tools, implements, appendages and appurtenances used in connection therewith, of any other railroad company now existing under the laws of this state, or any part thereof, whenever the railroads of such two companies or any part thereof are so situated and circumstanced that they can be connected and operated together and be made to constitute one continuous main line with or without branches.

Sec. 36, of chapter 119 of the general laws of 1872 amended.

Additional clause.

- SECTION 2. Section fifty-five of chapter one hun-

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