

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

Approved March 9, 1876.

CHAPTER 223.

[Published April 6, 1876.]

AN ACT to extend the time for the construction of the North Wisconsin Railway, and to waive the forfeiture incurred by the North Wisconsin Railway Company by its failure to construct twenty miles of its road during the year 1875.

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

- Amended.** SECTION 1. The time fixed and limited in and by chapter 126, of the general laws of 1874, entitled, "An act to confer certain lands upon the North Wisconsin Railway Company, and the Chicago and Northern Pacific Air-Line Railway Company, and to execute the trust assumed by the State of Wisconsin by its acceptance of the grant of land made by congress by acts approved June 3d, 1856, and May 5, 1864," for the construction of the road mentioned in the second section of said chapter, is hereby extended one year; *provided, however,* and this act is upon condition that within sixty days from and after the publication of this act, the sureties upon the bond executed to the state by the North Wisconsin Railway Company, under the provisions of section 4, of chapter 126, of the general laws of 1874, shall file with the state treasurer a written consent, under seal, to said extension of time, but if any of said sureties decline to sign said consent, then it shall be sufficient if such number thereof shall so consent as in the opinion of the governor shall efficiently protect the interest of the state on said bond; *provided, further,* that such consent shall not be construed as creating any other, different or greater liability on the part of those so consenting, than is provided in said section 4, under which said bond was executed.
- Time for construction of road extended.**
- Sureties to give written consent to extension.**
- Forfeiture waived.** SECTION 2. The forfeiture incurred by the North Wisconsin Railway Company by its failure to construct twenty miles of its road during the year 1875, as required by said chapter 126, of the general laws of 1874, is hereby waived by the State of Wisconsin.

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

Approved March 9, 1876.

CHAPTER 224.

[Published April 7, 1876.]

AN ACT to authorize the sale or conveyance, for agricultural purposes, of certain of the lands conferred by chapter one hundred and five, general laws of 1868, on the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal and Harbor Company.

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

SECTION 1. The commissioners of school and university lands of the State of Wisconsin, are hereby authorized and empowered, in behalf of said state, with the consent of, and at the price prescribed by said Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal and Harbor Company, or the duly authorized agent of said company, to sell and convey, or contract to convey, to any person over the age of twenty-one years, being the head of a family, or a householder, any of the lands conferred upon said company by chapter one hundred and five, of the general laws of 1868, not patented to said company, the same being at the time chiefly valuable for agricultural purposes, not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres to any such person, which, or some part thereof, shall have been occupied by such person as a homestead continuously since the first day of July, 1875, or which or some part whereof shall have been occupied as a homestead by such person continuously for a period of one year next preceding the time of his application to buy or contract for the same; *provided*, that no such land shall be sold or contracted to be sold for a less price than two dollars and fifty cents per acre, and no patent for any such land shall issue to any such person, until the whole of the purchase price is paid; and none of such lands shall be contracted to any such person, except on the payment of at least one-third of the purchase money at the time of granting such contract; the unpaid balance of such purchase money to bear interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum, and to be paid

Commissioners of school and university lands to convey lands to settlers:

How payment to be made.