

[*Published February 19, 1877.*]

CHAPTER 22.

AN ACT to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to appropriate to Richard Rooney, late county treasurer, a certain sum of money.

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

SECTION 1. The county board of supervisors of the county of Milwaukee are hereby authorized to audit, allow and pay, in the same manner that other accounts and claims against the county are audited, allowed and paid, to Richard Rooney, late county treasurer of said county, his account, claim and demand against said county, not exceeding the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, for necessary clerical services and assistance, by him furnished the county, in his said office for and during the term thereof, commencing on the first Monday in January, A. D. 1875, and for which no provision was then provided by law.

Payment to
Rich'd Rooney
authorized.

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

Approved February 17, 1877.

[*Published February 26, 1877.*]

CHAPTER 23.

AN ACT to authorize Peter Wilkinson, Iñez Steinmetz, William Owen, Amos Johnson, Darius Palmer, and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Leach Creek, in Sauk county.

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

SECTION 1. Peter Wilkinson, Iñez Steinmetz, William Owen, Amos Johnson, Darius Palmer, and their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby authorized to construct and maintain a dam across Leach Creek in section 13, town 12 north, range 7 east, in the county of Sauk. Said dam to be constructed for the purpose of conducting the water through its original channel, and to prevent damages from back water in time of freshets.

Authority to
maintain dam.

Towns authorized to appropriate money.

SECTION 2. The town boards of supervisors of the towns through which this stream runs, are hereby authorized to appropriate such portion of the drainage fund of their respective towns for the erection and maintenance of said dam as in their judgment may be for the interest of the inhabitants of said towns.

Penalty for destroying dam.

SECTION 3. Any person or persons who shall willfully break or destroy said dam, or shall open the same, shall be liable to the proprietors thereof in an action of trespass to the amount of damage done, in addition to the penalty already provided by law, to be recovered before any court of competent jurisdiction.

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

Approved February 20, 1877.

[Published February 26, 1877.]

CHAPTER 24.

AN ACT to prevent the killing or disturbing wild pigeons while on their brooding grounds.

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

Unlawful to disturb pigeons when nesting.

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to use any gun or guns or fire arms, or in any manner to maim, kill, destroy or disturb any wild pigeon or pigeons at or within three miles of the place or places where they are gathered for the purpose of brooding their young, known as pigeon nestings. Nor shall any person or persons fire at or attempt to kill or destroy any such wild pigeon or pigeons, or disturb their nests within said limits anywhere within this state, at any time from the beginning of such nesting or brooding until the last hatching of such birds, and every person offending against the provisions of this section, shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars nor less than twenty dollars for each and every offense, together with the costs of suit, and shall be imprisoned in the county jail of the county wherein such offense was committed until such fine and costs are fully paid, or until discharged according to law; and in all convictions under this act one-half of all fines shall be paid over, by the justice of the peace before whom such trial is brought, to the person who shall have made the complaint in such case.

Penalty for violation of act.