

shall not, during the time for which said loan shall remain unpaid, become indebted or contract debts for a greater amount, including debts heretofore contracted as well as that herein referred to, than five per cent. on the value of the taxable property in such town to be ascertained by the last assessment for state and county taxes previous to incurring the indebtedness authorized by this act. Before contracting any debt, and before any of said funds shall be delivered to said town in exchange for said certificates of indebtedness, the supervisors of the said town of Rushford shall file with the secretary of state an acceptance of the provisions of this act and of the terms and limitations herein provided for; and, further, the said sum of money shall be used for bridge purposes in said town. And the making and filing of the acceptance hereinbefore provided by the supervisors of said town shall be deemed and held to be a levying of the taxes necessary for the repayment of said loan in the manner and form hereinbefore provided.

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

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CHAPTER 123.

AN ACT to amend an act, entitled "An act to incorporate Lawrence Institute," of private and local laws of the territory of Wisconsin for 1847.

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

SECTION 1. The Wisconsin conference of the M. E. church shall at its next annual meeting elect by ballot six visitors to the Lawrence University of Wisconsin, two of whom shall serve for the term of one year, two for the term of two years, and two for the term of three years; and annually thereafter said conference shall, in like manner, elect two visitors to the said university, who shall serve for the term of three years.

SECTION 2. The West Wisconsin conference of the M. E. Church, shall, at its next annual meeting, elect by ballot three visitors to the Lawrence University of Wisconsin, one of whom shall serve for the term of one

Election of visitors; terms of office, etc.

Same.

year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years; and annually thereafter said conference shall elect, in like manner, one visitor to the said university, who shall serve for the term of three years.

Visitors to be
ex-officio trust-
ees of univer-
sity.

SECTION 3. The visitors provided for by this act shall be *ex-officio* trustees of said university, with all the rights and duties of the other trustees.

SECTION 4. All acts or parts of acts providing for the election of visitors to said university, otherwise than as herein provided for, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 124.

AN ACT to amend chapter fifty-five of the general laws of 1869 entitled, "An act to provide for stereotyping the reports of the decisions of the supreme court."

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

Supreme court
to appoint re-
porter.

SECTION 1. The supreme court shall, from time to time, appoint subject to removal, a competent person to report such decisions and opinions of said court as they may deem important and expedient to be reported and published. Such reporter, before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall execute a bond, with two sufficient sureties, to the state of Wisconsin, in the sum of two thousand dollars, to be approved by the secretary of state, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as such reporter.

Duty of report-
er.

SECTION 2. The supreme court reporter shall, as soon as practicable after the decisions of the supreme court are announced, furnish and deliver to the person, persons or corporation having the contract with the state for publishing the same, copies of such decisions, with a syllabus and brief abstract of the case, and briefs of counsel, if necessary, with suitable notes of the points decided in each case, and an index, to be published in suitable volumes. Each of said volumes shall contain not less than seven hundred and fifty, nor more than eight hundred pages, to be stereotyped,