fund not otherwise appropriated "for the sole purpose of liquidating the indebtedness of said society, and then only after the secretary of said society has certified the amount of said indebtedness to the secretary of state."

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the passage and publication thereof.

Approved March 23, 1883.

[No. 338, A.]

[Published March 31, 1883.]

CHAPTER 147.

AN ACT authorizing and empowering the chairmen of town boards of supervisors to administer oaths in certain cases.

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

SECTION 1. The chairmen of town boards of supervisors are hereby empowered and authorized to administer oaths or affidavits in all matters coming before said boards.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication. Approved March 23, 1883.

[No. 339, A.]

[Published April 4, 1883.]

CHAPTER 148.

AN ACT to amend section 1236 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes, entitled "Of highways and bridges."

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

SECTION 1. Section 1236 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the words "overseer of such first named district," where they occur in the fourteenth line in said section, and insert in lieu thereof, the words "supervisors of the town in which said road districts are located," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 1236. It shall be lawful for any overseer of highways, or any person acting under his direction, to enter upon any lands adjoining to or near the highway in his district, and construct such drains or ditches as may be necessary for the improvement or preservation of such highways; and any such over-

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