

may, at their annual or any special meeting preceding the election of county officers, by resolution, change the method of compensating the register of deeds, his deputies, clerks and copyists, from fees, now provided by law, to salaries, and may at the same time fix the amounts of the salaries to be paid the register of deeds, to be elected during the ensuing year, his deputies, clerks and copyists, and the number thereof to be appointed by the register of deeds, and paid by the county.

2. * * * Whenever any county board shall fix the amount of the salaries of the register of deeds, his deputies, clerks and copyists and the number thereof in accordance with this section, the amount and number thus fixed shall be and remain the salaries of the register of deeds, his deputies, clerks and copyists and the number thereof, until the same are changed by the county board under this section.

3. Such salaries shall be paid at the end of each month, and the register of deeds shall keep accurate books of account in which shall be entered from day to day in a journal, the items of service and the fees therefor and the name of the particular proceeding, transaction or action in which the same is rendered, and shall carry the items of charges into a ledger account, with proper reference to such journal entries, and he shall pay to the county treasurer all fees, per diem and other emoluments of whatever kind received by him, and shall at the end of each quarter of the year file with the county clerk, to be laid before the county board, a sworn statement of all such fees, per diem and emoluments collected by him or for him during the quarter of the year, and all the expenses of his office during such time. And the salaries of the register of deeds, his deputies, clerks and copyists so paid, shall be in lieu of all fees, per diem and compensation for services rendered by them.

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

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CHAPTER 401.

AN ACT to amend section 2424 of the statutes, relating to the terms of court for the Nineteenth judicial circuit.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. That paragraph of section 2424 of the statutes prescribing the terms of court for the Nineteenth judicial circuit is amended to read: Nineteenth circuit. In the county of

Rusk, on the fourth Monday in February and the * * * third Monday in * * * October; in the county of Sawyer, on the first Monday in June and the * * * second Monday in * * * December; in the county of Chippewa, on the third Monday in * * * April and the * * * third Monday in * * * November; in the county of Eau Claire, on third Monday in March, and the third Monday in September. The general terms of court in each county of said Nineteenth judicial circuit shall be special terms for the whole Nineteenth judicial circuit. * * *

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

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CHAPTER 402.

AN ACT to amend section 1810 of the statutes, relating to railroad fences and cattle-guards.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1810 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 1810. 1. Every railroad corporation operating any railroad shall erect and maintain on both sides of any portion of its road (depot grounds excepted) good and sufficient fences of the height of * * * not less than fifty inches, with openings or gates or bars therein, and suitable and convenient farm crossings of the road for the use of the occupants of the lands adjoining, and shall construct and maintain cattle-guards at all highway crossings and connect their fences therewith to prevent cattle and other domestic animals from going on such railroad; provided, that the provisions of this section requiring cattle-guards shall not apply to any crossing located in a city or incorporated village.

2. All roads hereafter built shall be so fenced and such cattle-guards be made within * * * one month from the time of commencing to operate the same, so far as operated. Until such fences and cattle-guards shall be duly made every railroad corporation owning or operating any such road shall be liable for all damages done to cattle, horses or other domestic animals, or persons thereon, occasioned in any manner, in whole or in part, by the want of such fences or cattle-guards; but after such fences and cattle-guards shall have been in good faith constructed such liability shall not extend to damages occasioned in part by con-