that may hereafter be commenced, and shall be so construed as to give as speedy a trial of such actions as can be had, and secure to the parties a fair and impartial trial.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 9, 1872.

CHAPTER 53.

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AN ACT to limit the time for the commencement of actions against towns, counties, cities and villages, on demands made payable to bearer.

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

Time limited.

SECTION 1. No action brought to recover any sum of money, on any bond, coupon, interest warrant, agreement or promise in writing, made or issued by any town, county, city or village, or upon any instalment of the principal or interest thereof shall be maintained in any court, unless such action shall be commenced within six years from the time when such sum of money has or shall become due, when the same has been or shall be made payable to bearer, or to some person or bearer, or to the order of some person, or to some person or his order: provided, that any such action may be brought within one year after this act shall take effect: provided further, that this act shall in no case be construed to extend the time within which an action may be brought under the laws heretofore existing.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in

force from and after its passage.

Approved March 9, 1872.