

of seven and sixteen years; and also to make and enforce all such ordinances, rules and by-laws, respecting such children as shall be deemed most conducive to their welfare and the good order of such city.

Habitual truants between certain ages may be committed to said schools.

SECTION 2. Any child convicted of being an habitual truant, or of wandering about in the streets or public places of any city, having no lawful occupation or business, and not attending school, between the ages of seven and sixteen years, may in the discretion of the justice or court having jurisdiction of the case, be committed to any such truant school, provided for the purpose under the authority of the next preceding section, for such time, not exceeding two years, as such justice or court may determine. And the police authorities, after such conviction and sentence, are authorized and directed to enforce the daily attendance of such children, at the truant school so established: *provided*, they are found wandering in the streets.

May enforce daily attendance.

What officers shall have jurisdiction.

SECTION 3. Such justices of the peace and other judicial officers and courts as have criminal jurisdiction, shall have jurisdiction of all offenses under this act, and under the ordinances and by-laws which may be passed or ordained under the authority thereof.

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

Approved March 19, 1873.

CHAPTER 277.

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AN ACT to amend section twelve of chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the laws of 1872, entitled "act to authorize municipal corporations to aid in the construction of railroads."

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

Amended—time for railroad companies to fulfill contract with counties, towns or cities, may be extended.

SECTION 1. Section twelve of chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the laws of 1872, entitled "an act to authorize municipal corporations to aid in the construction of railroads," is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "and in all cases where a county, town, city or village shall have subscribed, or shall hereafter subscribe for stock in aid of any railroad, and shall have limited or shall limit the time

in which the aid shall be earned, it shall be lawful for the proper authorities of such county, town, city or village, upon the application of the railroad company in aid of which such subscription has been or shall be made, in their discretion, to extend the time when such aid shall be earned, not exceeding one year beyond the time so limited:” *provided*, the powers and authority hereby granted and conferred shall not be used or exercised by any county, town, city or village where the aid granted for railroad purposes and stock subscribed for shall exceed the amount of five per cent. of the assessed valuation thereof.

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

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CHAPTER 278.

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AN ACT to authorize incorporated villages to lay out, change and open streets, alleys and public squares within the same.

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

SECTION 1. The president and trustees of any incorporated village shall have the power to lay out, open, change, extend and widen public squares, grounds, highways, streets and alleys as follows: Whenever six or more freeholders residing in said village shall, by petition, represent to the board of trustees of said village that it is necessary to take certain lands within said village for the public use, for the purpose of laying out, opening, changing, extending or widening public squares, grounds, highways, streets or alleys, the courses and distances, metes and bounds of the lands proposed to be taken, together with the names and residences of the owners of said lands, if the same shall be known to the petitioners, being stated in said petition, the board of trustees shall thereupon cause notice of such application to be given as follows: If the owner or owners of any portion of said lands are known, and reside in said village, a written or printed notice shall be served upon such owner or owners personally; if such owner or owners are not known, or being known,

Village authorities may lay out, change and open streets, on petition of freeholders.

How notice to be given to residents and non-residents.