

thereon at such election, ten days' notice of which shall be given in the manner as required for the election of the officers of such city, town or village.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 11, 1874.

## CHAPTER 243.

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AN ACT relating to public printing.

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

Commissioners  
of public print-  
ing.

SECTION 1. The secretary of state, state treasurer and attorney general shall be ex officio commissioners of public printing, during the terms of their office respectively.

Duties of com-  
missioners.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of said commissioners of public printing, during the first week of June, A. D. 1874, and biennially thereafter, to advertise in six different newspapers, in different localities in the state, for the term of six weeks, that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the secretary of state, for doing, at the seat of government, all letter press printing, binding, ruling, blank books, (including stock for binding), authorized or required by the legislature for its use or the use of the state in all its several departments thereof.

Shall advertise  
proposals.

SECTION 3. Said advertisement mentioned in the preceding section, shall contain the maximum list of prices established by law, the necessary form for bids, the time when said bids will be opened, the certificate of the state treasurer and written agreement and the guaranty as prescribed in section six of this act, and such other information as said commissioners may deem necessary.

SECTION 4. The following prices are hereby established as the maximum prices for doing said work, including the materials to be used in binding, exclusive of the paper :

### COMPOSITION PER 1,000 EMS.

Plain.....	\$ 60
Figure work.....	90
Rule and figure work.....	1 20

PRESS WORK.

Per token of 250 impressions..... 60

FOLDING.

Per 100 sections of 16 pages..... 10

STITCHING, TRIMMING AND COVERING PAMPHLETS.

Per 100 copies..... 1 25

BINDING, INCLUDING STOCK, PER VOLUME.

In paste board, 16mo or 12mo.....	35	Maximum
In cloth, 16mo or 12mo.....	45	prices.
In full sheepskin, 16mo or 12mo.....	80	
In full calf-skin, 16mo or 12mo.....	1 25	
In Turkey morocco, 16mo or 12mo.....	2 25	
Flat cap or cap, half-binding, sheep back.....	3 00	
Flat cap or cap, Russia ends and bands.....	6 00	
Medium or folio post, half-binding, sheep back.....	5 00	
Medium or folio post, full sheep.....	9 00	
Medium or folio post, Russia ends and bands.....	10 50	
Medium or folio post, extra Russia ends and bands.....	12 00	
Medium or folio post, full Russia.....	18 00	

BINDING BLANK BOOKS PER QUIRE, INCLUDING RULING, AND INCLUDING STOCK FOR BINDING.

Flat cap, half-binding, sheep back.....	70
Flat cap, full sheep.....	90
Flat cap, Russia ends and bands.....	1 00
Flat cap, extra Russia ends and bands.....	1 25
Folio post, half binding, sheep back.....	1 00
Folio post, Russia ends and bands.....	1 50
Medium, half binding, sheep back.....	1 25
Medium, Russia ends and bands.....	1 75
Medium, extra Russia ends and bands.....	2 00
Medium, full Russia.....	3 00
Super royal, Russia ends and bands.....	2 00
Super royal, extra Russia ends and bands.....	2 25
Super royal, full Russia.....	3 50
Paging, extra, per volume.....	1 00
Indexing, extra, per quire.....	25

RULING.

Blanks, per quire..... 10

A token shall consist of 250 impressions upon one side of 250 distinct sheets of paper, or 250 impressions on both sides of 125 sheets of paper. In accounting under this act folding, stitching and binding shall include collating, drying and pressing. In accounting ruling under this act, when ruling across the sheet and up and down the sheet is required, two rulings, but no more, may be charged.

What shall constitute a token.

SECTION 5. The contract shall be let to the person who shall bid to execute the printing, binding and ruling required, as contemplated by section two of this act, at the greatest per centum of discount from the maximum prices established by law, such per centum of discount to be uniform on every item of work or material.

Contract, how awarded.

SECTION 6. Every bid for the public printing shall

Bids to be in

writing and sealed.

What bids shall not be considered.

Bids to be accompanied by a written guaranty.

When contract to be drawn.

be in writing, sealed, and shall have endorsed thereon the words, "proposals for the state printing," and shall be deposited in the office of the secretary of state. No bid shall be considered by said commissioners unless accompanied by a certificate from the state treasurer, showing that the bidder has deposited with him one thousand dollars in money or United States bonds, and a written agreement executed by such bidder, under seal, to the effect that if such bid be accepted, and after being notified thereof, such bidder shall fail to enter into a contract and execute a bond, as required by this act, within the time prescribed by said commissioners, or if such bidder, after executing such contract and bond, shall fail to comply therewith, then, and in either such case, the said one thousand dollars shall become absolutely forfeited to the state, and shall be no part of the penalty or damages which may be recovered upon such contract and bond. If a bid be rejected, the certificate of the state treasurer and such agreement shall be returned to the bidder, otherwise the same shall be retained until such contract and bond be fully complied with, as provided for in section seven, when said one thousand dollars shall be returned to said contractor. Every bid shall also, in addition to such certificate and agreement, be accompanied by a written guaranty or undertaking, signed by two or more responsible resident freeholders, in the sum of five thousand dollars, who shall justify under oath as to their responsibility, to the effect that they undertake that the bidder will, if his bid be accepted, execute the contract and bond as required by law, within such time as may be prescribed by the commissioners. Such guaranty shall be accompanied by a certificate of a judge of a court of record, or clerk of such court, certifying that he is acquainted with the guarantors, and knows them to be men of property, and able to make good their guaranty.

SECTION 7. Within ten days after the acceptance of a bid, and notification thereof to the bidder, said commissioners shall cause to be drawn up a contract, to be entered into by said commissioners on the part of the state and such bidder, fully setting forth the terms and conditions under which the work to be done, as contemplated by this act, shall be executed. Such bidder, shall also, at the same time, execute a bond to the state of Wisconsin, in the penal sum of twenty thousand dollars, with not less than two sureties, who shall be resident freeholders of this state, and who shall justify under oath, that they are worth, over and above all

debts and property exempt from execution, an amount equal to the amount named in such bond, conditioned for the faithful performance of all duties required of him by law, and by the terms and conditions of his contract; which bond shall be approved by said commissioners, and shall, together with the contract and all other papers relating thereto, be deposited and safely kept in the office of the secretary of state.

SECTION 8. In case the successful bidder shall fail to enter into contract and execute a bond as required by this act, the one thousand dollars deposited by him with the state treasurer shall be forfeited, and shall at once become the absolute property of the state, and there shall also be forfeited to the state the sum of five thousand dollars, the amount of the penalty of the guaranty or undertaking mentioned in section six of this act, or, if such bidder or contractor, after such contract and bond are executed, and the work is entered upon under the same, shall, at any time during the term of said contract, refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions of this act, relating to the public printing, or the terms and conditions of his contract, he shall be liable to the state in damages to the amount of the difference between the cost of the public printing under his contract and the cost of the same under any subsequent contract or contracts made by the commissioners pursuant to the provisions of this act, for the execution of any such printing during the remainder of the term of contract of the party so failing. It shall be duty of said commissioners, in all cases of forfeitures mentioned in this section, to commence and prosecute to final judgment, an action for the recovery thereof, together with damages and costs, which, when collected, shall be paid into the state treasury.

When deposit forfeited.

When contractor to be liable to state for damages.

Commissioners to prosecute.

SECTION 9. If the successful bidder shall fail to enter into contract and execute the bond required by section seven of this act, said commissioners shall proceed to let the contract to the next lowest bidder, unless in their opinion the best interests of the state require that new proposals shall be received; in which case they shall immediately proceed to advertise for new proposals, in the manner prescribed by this act. In case the contractor shall refuse or neglect to execute the work according to law, and the terms of his contract, said commissioners shall declare his contract void and his bond forfeited, and shall proceed forthwith to re-let the public printing in the same manner and under the same restrictions as provided by this act for letting the same in the first instance.

When commissioners may let contract to next lowest bidder.

When commissioners may declare contract void.

Who may order printing.

SECTION 10. The printing of the two houses of the legislature shall be subject to the order and direction of the two houses thereof, and the printing of the several state departments shall be subject to the order of the respective officers thereof. All orders for printing, ruling or binding for the use of any department, or for any purpose whatsoever, except that ordered by the legislature for its use, or that required by law to be done each year, shall be made through the secretary of state. And in no event shall any order be given for any work not absolutely needed, and, in quantities within the actual requirements of the department ordering the same.

Duties of chief clerk of the house.

SECTION 11. The chief clerk of the house when any joint resolution ordering printing, or any bill has been introduced, shall deliver to the public printer a copy of every such document or other matter ordered printed, by the two houses of the legislature, on the same day such orders are made, and the same shall be printed with the least possible delay; and the chief clerk of each house shall, within ten days after the close of each session, furnish to such printer a correct index of the journals of their respective houses.

Printing of bills resolutions and memorials.

SECTION 12. The bills, resolutions and memorials printed in bill form for the use of the legislature, shall be printed on flat cap paper on small pica type. Each page, except the first, to contain not less than thirty lines of printed matter of a width to allow a suitable margin, with a pica reglet or slug between each line. No greater space shall be left at the head of the first page than is necessary to designate the number and title of the bill, the name of the person or committee introducing the same, the day of the month and year when introduced, and the house in which it shall have originated.

How journals shall be printed.

SECTION 13. The journals of the senate and assembly, or "daily slips," printed for the use of the legislature while in session, shall be printed in pamphlet form, on good printing paper, of medium octavo size, on long primer type, and folded without being stitched. The composition of such journals or "daily slips" shall be in compact order, without unnecessary broken lines: *provided, however*, each distinct subject shall be in separate paragraphs. Such journals or "daily slips," together with the work mentioned in the preceding section, shall be delivered to the sergeant-at-arms of each house of the legislature, on or before nine o'clock on the morning following the session, except Sunday. Said sergeant-at-arms shall carefully count and receipt

for the same. Such receipts shall be made in a suitable book to be provided by the state printer for that purpose.

SECTION 14. The journals of the senate and assembly shall be printed as kept and recorded, in medium octavo form, without leads or any unnecessary blank or broken pages. Each journal shall have an appendix, in which shall be printed all such petitions, memorials, reports of committees, special reports and communications of all officers or board of officers, as are laid before either or both houses in writing, unless the printing thereof is otherwise provided for by this act: *provided*, that no paper or document shall be printed in either appendix, unless the house before which such paper or document is laid, expressly order the same to be printed in the appendix of the journal of such house; and if any paper or document is laid before both houses and ordered to be printed by both houses, it shall be printed only in the appendix of the senate journal.

Or journals and appendix.

SECTION 15. The volume of message and documents shall contain nothing that is inserted in the laws and journals of the same year, and the various reports and other documents inserted therein shall follow each other in close, compact order, without the intervention of unnecessary blank or broken pages, or separate title or half title pages; each report shall be numbered, and at the conclusion there shall be an index referring to each particular document. No charge for composition on the daily slips and other matter required to be embraced in the journals, the message and reports or other documents which are to be bound together in the volume of message and documents, shall be allowed, unless it shall be necessary to re-impose the same, in which case ten per cent. of the price of plain composition shall be allowed on such matter re-imposed. When the number of pages shall exceed 1,000, the secretary of state may order the same bound in two volumes as nearly equal in size as may be, to be numbered volume one and two.

Message and documents.

SECTION 16. The laws passed at each and every session of the legislature from and after the passage of this act, shall be printed on good book paper, of medium octavo size, on neat small pica type, and shall be designated under one general name of "the laws of Wisconsin," and shall be numbered by the secretary of state in consecutive chapters, as they are received from the governor, without reference to the subject matter of said laws, and shall be printed and bound in one volume, except when the number of pages shall exceed

Laws, how printed.

one thousand, in which case they shall be bound in two volumes, as nearly equal in size as may be; each volume to be indexed separately, and to be entitled volume one and volume two respectively. Each act, as it is printed, shall be compared by the secretary of state with the original enrolled act, and at the end of the volume or volumes the said secretary of state shall annex his certificate, certifying that he has compared the printed copy with the original enrolled act, and that it appears to be correctly printed.

Printing of extra laws and journals, how authorized.

SECTION 17. No extra number of laws, journals, reports or other documents shall be published except by authority of law; nor shall an extra number of copies of any public document, not provided for by law, be published for the use of the legislature, unless the same shall be authorized by joint resolution of the senate and assembly.

Laws, journals, messages reports, etc. to be of uniform size.

SECTION 18. The laws and journals, messages of the governor, reports of state officers and commissioners of school and university lands, reports of committees of the legislature, and all other documents required by the legislature, or any department of the state, or any other document, the printing of which shall be authorized by law to be hereafter printed, shall be of uniform size, and every full page of printed matter shall be of the width of four inches and of the length of seven and a quarter inches, so as to admit of their being bound together in a compact form.

Manner of estimating composition.

SECTION 19. In estimating composition on that class of printing, usually known as "job work," all work in script type, of which script is the chief kind used, shall be estimated as pica, and measured by the surface actually covered and not by the size of the sheet used. All open work, such as letter heads, headings, blank deeds and the like, shall be estimated in the same manner: *provided*, that no job shall be counted at less than 1,000 ems. All work, other than script type, shall be estimated according to the type actually used; *provided*, that when different sizes of type are used in a single job, it shall be measured and estimated proportionately for the different sizes so used. In estimating press work, the token shall consist of 250 impressions on 250 distinct sheets of paper, or 250 impressions on both sides of 125 sheets of paper: *provided*, that the press work on no job shall be counted at less than one token. When two or more copies are printed on one sheet, the state printer shall, at the

request of the secretary of state, cut the same according to instructions without any extra charge.

SECTION 20. In estimating the composition of all pamphlets, laws, journals and volume of documents, every necessary fraction of a page may be counted as a full page, but no entire blank page shall be counted or charged for. The composition shall be ascertained by strict measurement and count. But one charge shall be made for the composition of all documents ordered to be printed by both houses of the legislature, and no charge or allowance shall be made for composition when extra or additional copies are ordered to be printed: *provided* such subsequent order shall be made before the type shall have been distributed on which the first order may have been executed. In estimating press work of pamphlets, laws, journals and volume of public documents the token shall consist of 250 impressions of a form of sixteen pages, or 125 sheets of paper printed on both sides; or 250 sheets of paper printed on one side only: *provided*, if the last form of any document be less than sixteen pages, it shall be counted as a full form.

Composition to be ascertained by strict measurement.

Estimating of press-work.

SECTION 21. The secretary of state shall examine all work executed under the provisions of this act, and see that the printing, ruling and binding is executed correctly and in a suitable and workmanlike manner, and in accordance with law. He shall keep an accurate account of all paper delivered to the state printer, and see that it is used without unnecessary waste; he shall audit all accounts for printing, ruling and binding executed under the provisions of this act, and shall keep a record of the cost of printing, ruling and binding, the amount of paper used, and the entire expense of each document or job; and a copy of each document or job shall be duly filed and preserved by him with the cost endorsed thereon.

Secretary of state to examine all work.

SECTION 22. The state printer shall file and preserve one copy of each document or other matter by him printed for the state, which he shall deliver to the secretary of state with his account for the same, in which account shall be specifically stated the various jobs performed, the number of copies of each job, the number of ems composition in each, the extra charge, if any, for figure, or rule and figure work, the number of tokens of press work in each, the cost of folding, stitching and binding of each job, designating whether ordered by the senate, the assembly or jointly by both, or by any other officer or officers of the state, together with the kind and quantity of paper used for each job.

State printer to file and preserve one copy of each document.



Accounts to be examined.

**SECTION 23.** All accounts filed under the preceding section shall be carefully examined by the secretary of state, aided by a disinterested practical printer, if necessary, employed for that purpose at the expense of the state, and compared with the vouchers therefor and the orders for the same. If any errors be found in such account by said secretary of state, he shall immediately correct the same and return it to the state printer. When the account is finally corrected and adjusted he shall draw his warrant on the state treasurer for the amount thereof, which shall be paid out of the general fund.

State printer to deliver copies of all work ordered.

**SECTION 24.** The state printer shall deliver over to the secretary of state, or to such department as he may direct, in good order, all copies of work ordered to be printed, ruled or bound by him, the legislature, or either house thereof, or other officers or agents of the state.

Paper for state printing to be provided by the state.

**SECTION 25.** The paper for the state printing aforesaid shall be provided by the state, and the secretary of state shall from time to time, as the same may be needed, deliver over to the state printer suitable paper for the printing required by the state. He shall take and preserve from the state printer a receipt for all paper so delivered, and on or before the first day of March, June, September and December in each year, said state printer shall deliver to the secretary of state all paper which has not been used in the state printing.

Penalty for waste or use of paper belonging to the state.

If any such paper have been wasted or converted to any other use, the state printer shall be charged with the value thereof, together with a penalty of fifty per cent., and the amount shall be deducted from his account: *provided*, the state printer shall be allowed ten per cent. for waste on all jobs of ten quires or less, and five per cent. on all jobs of more than ten quires.

Acts to be published in the official state paper.

**SECTION 26.** Every act of general application, and all acts affecting counties, town, cities, villages and school districts, public roads, highways and bridges, and the taxes to be raised therein or therefor, and all acts for the preservation of fish or of game, shall, before they shall take effect, be published in the official state paper, and such publication shall be made immediately after the passage and approval of the said acts; the said publication to be under the direction and supervision of the secretary of state. All acts affecting only individuals, private corporations and societies, shall take effect without such publication, unless it shall be especially provided in such acts that they shall be published before they shall take effect, and their

publication in the official paper in such case shall be specially ordered.

SECTION 27. The secretary of state shall furnish for the official state paper, copies of all laws required to be published, immediately after their passage, and at the close of every session of the legislature, he shall also furnish for the state printer, copies of all the laws passed at said session, with an index and marginal or head notes thereto attached, together with all the joint resolutions and memorials approved by the governor; and the said state printer shall print the said laws, resolutions and memorials with all possible dispatch, but in the publication and printing of the said laws, resolutions and memorials, the signatures of the officers affixed to the enrolled act, resolution or memorial shall be omitted, and the date of approval shall only be affixed thereto.

Secretary of state to furnish state paper with copies of laws for publication.

SECTION 28. All publishers of weekly newspapers, who shall publish in their respective newspapers all of the public acts of general interest passed at each session of the legislature which shall be designated by the secretary of state, in the official state paper, as "copy" laws, shall be allowed sixty dollars for such publication, upon filing satisfactory evidence, by affidavit, with the secretary of state, that the same have been published as provided in this section, for which amount the secretary of state shall draw a warrant upon the general fund of the state treasury in favor of each of such publishers.

Compensation to publishers of weekly papers, for publishing laws.

SECTION 29. The secretary of state, immediately after the publication in the state paper of any of the class of local laws referred to in section twenty-six of this act, which are required to be published in the official state paper, shall furnish a copy thereof to the publisher of the newspapers published at a place nearest the point to which the subject matter or any such law relates. Where more than one paper is published in the same place, the secretary of state shall select the paper in which such publication shall be made. All such publications shall be made in the English language.

Local laws, how published.

Publication shall be in the English language.

SECTION 30. At the commencement of every session of the legislature there shall be appointed by the respective houses a committee, consisting of two members of the senate and three members of the assembly, which shall constitute the committee on printing.

Committee of printing appointed.

SECTION 31. The committee on printing shall have power to examine all accounts and other papers on file in the office of the secretary of state and generally

Duties of such committee.

to investigate all matters relating to the printing of the state; and they may report to the legislature by bill or joint resolution, as they shall deem proper.

PRINTING PUBLIC DOCUMENTS.

When reports shall be delivered to public printers.

SECTION 32. Within ten days after the annual reports of the several state departments and state institutions shall have been placed in the hands of the commissioners of printing, and by them revised, as provided by law, they shall, through the secretary of state, deliver them to the public printer, who shall immediately proceed to print two thousand (2,000) copies of each of said reports, excepting that of the superintendent of public instruction, of which there shall be printed eight thousand (8,000) copies. Five hundred (500) copies of each of said reports, together with the annual message of the governor to the legislature first to convene after the delivery of said reports, shall be bound into five hundred (500) volumes, each containing one of each of said reports and the governor's message, and to be delivered to the secretary of state, within one month after the commencement of the legislature, to be by him turned over to the superintendent of public property, who shall be the proper custodian thereof, upon receipting to the secretary of state for the same.

Number to be printed.

Number of copies of laws to be published.

SECTION 33. Ten thousand (10,000) copies of the laws passed at each session of the legislature, including the joint resolutions and memorials, shall be printed and bound by the state printer, on good book paper; five hundred (500) copies to be bound in full sheep and the remainder in half binding, with sheep backs and corners to be distributed as hereinafter provided. One thousand (1,000) copies of the laws of each session shall be printed and delivered within sixty days after the final adjournment of the session of the legislature at which the same were enacted, and the balance within thirty days thereafter and whenever there is or may be an extra session, the laws passed at such extra session shall be printed and bound as distinct and separate volumes, and shall be completed and delivered within thirty days after the adjournment of the same.

Number to be bound.

Number of copies of journal to be printed and bound.

SECTION 34. There shall be printed on good book paper, and bound in half binding with sheep backs and corners, by the public printer, five hundred copies of the journals of each house of the legislature, to be distributed as hereinafter provided.

Publication of supreme court reports.

SECTION 35. The supreme court reporter shall, in each year, publish one or more volumes of the deci-

sions of the supreme court with a brief abstract of the case when necessary, and suitable notes of the points decided in each case. Each of said volumes shall contain at least seven hundred and fifty (750) pages, and be printed and bound in a good substantial manner and form, and of good materials for law books; all the paper for printing and material for binding shall be furnished by said reporter, and the said reporter shall have the copyright of the same. Said reporter shall also cause the pages of all volumes of such reports to be stereotyped, and shall deliver to the state five hundred and fifty (550) copies of each volume hereafter published and stereotyped. There shall be republished from time to time under the direction and by the approval of the supreme court, all volumes of the reports of the decisions of said court, which shall be out of print, or so nearly as to make the republication thereof in the opinion of the court, advisable; and such republication shall be edited by such person learned in the law, and resident of this state, as shall be selected or approved by said court, and in such manner and with such reduction of the number of volumes to be furnished the state, as said court shall by its order direct, in no case to exceed five hundred and twenty-five copies. The entire cost of such editing shall be paid by such publisher, and the numbering of the present volumes, and the paging, shall be preserved in such new edition. The plates of all such volumes of reports as shall be republished shall be stereotyped, and of the same style and quality, as to paper and binding, as volume 25 of Wisconsin reports. The work of printing, stereotyping and binding the supreme court reports, as provided for by this act, shall be done in the state of Wisconsin.

What volumes to be stereotyped.

Number of copies to be delivered to state,

Work to be done in Wisconsin.

SECTION 36. Two thousand copies of the reports and collections of the state historical society of Wisconsin shall be printed by the state printer once in every two years, commencing in the year 1876. Such reports shall be printed on the best quality of book paper, weighing not less than fifty pounds to the ream, and bound in cloth and properly lettered, for the use of the society in effecting its literary exchanges. The matter for such publication shall be subject to the approval of the commissioners of public printing and the publication committee of the state historical society, and no volume of such reports shall contain over five hundred pages of printed matter. There shall also be printed in the year 1875, and biennially thereafter, fifteen hundred copies of the supplementary catalogues

Reports of state Historical Society to be printed.

Quality of paper to be used.

Catalogues to be printed.

of the library of said historical society, on the same quality of paper as the reports of said historical society are now printed. Said catalogue shall be bound in pamphlet form.

Transactions of State Agricultural Society, to be printed.

SECTION 37. There shall be printed annually by the state printer on the order of the commissioners of public printing, five thousand copies of the transactions of the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society, together with abstracts of the reports of county agricultural societies, and such other matters pertaining to the industry of the state, as shall be deemed most important: *provided*, that the number of printed pages of said volume of transactions shall not exceed five hundred. Said transactions shall be printed on good book paper, and bound in muslin covers, uniform in style with the previous volumes published.

Transactions of State Horticultural Society to be printed.

SECTION 38. There shall be printed annually by the state printer, on the order of the commissioners of public printing, two thousand copies of the transactions of the Wisconsin State Horticultural Society, together with abstracts of reports of county and other horticultural societies, and such other matter pertaining to fruit growing and other horticultural interests of the state as shall be deemed most important: *provided*, that the number of pages of said volume of transactions shall not exceed two hundred. Said transactions shall be printed on good book paper, and bound in muslin cover, uniform in style with the previous volumes published.

Printing compilation of laws.

SECTION 39. The secretary of state shall in his discretion, as often as seems necessary, cause to be printed in pamphlet form by the state printer, for distribution to county and town officers, a compilation of the laws for the "assessment and collection of taxes," or the laws governing "elections and the registry of electors," with such forms and instructions as he shall think proper, to aid such officers in the performance of their duties.

Secretary of state to audit account of supreme court reporter.

SECTION 40. The secretary of state is hereby authorized to audit the account of the reporter of the supreme court at the rate of four dollars and fifty cents per volume, for the reports of the decisions of the supreme court, which he is required to furnish the state, upon his furnishing satisfactory proof that the pages of each volume have been stereotyped. The publisher of any such new edition of the volumes of the supreme court reports, upon furnishing to the secretary of state satisfactory proof of the delivery of such volumes, and that the pages thereof have been stereotyped, shall receive from the state the same price per copy authorized

Price determined.

to be paid the reporter of the supreme court for the current volumes of such reports.

SECTION 41. There shall be printed biennially in pamphlet form two thousand copies of the transactions of the Wisconsin Academy of Science, Arts and Letters, uniform in style with the volume heretofore printed for said society.

Transactions of Wisconsin Academy of Science Arts and Letters to be printed.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLIC DOCUMENTS.

SECTION 42. All public documents provided for in the act shall be delivered to and received for by the secretary of state, and by him delivered to the superintendent of public property, who shall be the custodian thereof, upon receipting to the secretary of state therefor. The superintendent of public property shall distribute the same in the manner provided by law, keeping such records as shall be necessary to show the number, date and to whom such documents were delivered. All provisions of law requiring such documents to be distributed by the secretary of state shall hereafter be construed to refer to the superintendent of public property.

Public documents, to whom delivered.

SECTION 43. There shall be annually forwarded to Washington, for the use of the congressional library, two volumes of the laws, supreme court reports, legislative journals, reports of departments, and other documents published by authority of the state; also one copy of each of such publications shall be forwarded to the several states and territories which practice like comity with the state of Wisconsin.

To whom furnished.

SECTION 44. There shall be delivered to the several state institutions, state university and normal schools, and also to each college, incorporated academy and literary institution of this state, having a library of three hundred volumes, upon application being made therefor, one copy each of all documents published by state authority; said documents to be delivered to any person authorized by the president or principal of said institutions to receive them. The several state officers shall be furnished at all times with such documents belonging to the state as may be necessary or convenient for the business of their respective offices.

To state institutions.

To state officers

SECTION 45. Twenty-five copies of every public document published by state authority, or purchased for the use of the state, in quantities exceeding one hundred copies, excepting the legislative manual, shall be deposited in the state library for the use thereof, and, as often as necessary, such number of additional copies of such documents as remain on hand may be

Deposited in state library.

**State Historical Society.** furnished the state library, as shall be required to keep the original deposit complete. Fifty bound copies of each of the several publications of this state shall be delivered to the State Historical Society for the purpose of effecting exchanges with other societies and literary institutions.

**Legislature.** SECTION 46. Eight hundred copies of each of the annual reports of the state departments and state institutions shall be delivered to the legislature, for the use of the members, at the commencement of the ensuing session, after the delivery of said reports, and the remainder shall be delivered to the department or institution making the same.

**Messages and document to legislature.** SECTION 47. One hundred and fifty copies of the governor's message and accompanying documents shall be delivered to the legislature first to convene after the delivery of said reports, and the remainder shall be retained for distribution as required by law, or directed by subsequent legislation.

**Journal to members of legislature.** SECTION 48. One copy of each of the journals of the senate and assembly shall be delivered to each member of the legislature to which such journals relate.

**Laws, how distributed.** SECTION 49. The laws passed at each session of the legislature shall, immediately after their publication in volumes, be disposed of as follows :

**State officers and judges.** 1st. To each state officer, justices of the supreme court, judges of the United States courts, judges of circuit, county and municipal courts, in this state, and the clerks of said courts, the district attorneys of the United States and this state, the secretary of state of the United States, one copy each.

**Governors of each state and territory.** 2d. To the governor of each state and territory of the United States, free of expense (if such courtesy be reciprocated), two copies, accompanied with a request that a similar contribution be made to the governor of this state, of the laws of the respective states and territories.

**Registers of deeds.** 3d. To register of deeds to each county, a sufficient number of copies of the laws, to be distributed by him to each of the following officers in his county, allowing one for each, viz: Members of the legislature, county clerk, county treasurer, sheriff, coroner, county superintendent of schools, county superintendent of poor, and chairman of the board of supervisors, justices of the peace, and town clerks in each town; and said register of deeds shall retain one copy for his office; but no person who shall hold more than one office shall be entitled to more than one copy.

**SECTION 50.** The superintendent of public property is hereby authorized to furnish copies of the revised statutes to all officers of the several counties of the state, who are entitled to receive the laws of the state, upon the following condition: Every person applying for a copy of the revised statutes shall furnish a certificate of the county clerk of the county in which the person making the application resides, showing that such person is an officer of such county, entitled by law to receive the session laws of this state, and a statement of the person making such application, giving the facts upon which he claims to be entitled to a copy of such statutes, and upon the receipt of the certificate and statement aforesaid, if it shall satisfactorily appear that the person applying has not been furnished with the revised statutes, or that from any cause, or other than gross negligence, the copy furnished such person or his predecessor has been lost or destroyed, a copy shall be furnished him without cost to the state.

When superintendent of public property shall furnish copies.

**SECTION 51.** The copy of the laws delivered to any person, on account of any office held by him, shall have stamped or written thereon the name of the office held by such person, and he shall, when he ceases to hold such office, deliver over to his successor in office all laws received by him as such officer, and take the receipt of his successor therefor, and deposit such receipt, if a town officer, with the town clerk, and if a county officer, with the register of deeds; and any person who shall neglect or refuse to deliver over to his successor in office all laws received by him as aforesaid, shall be liable to such successor, in an action of replevin for the same, or for money had and received to the full amount it shall or would cost him to furnish himself with such laws, and costs of suit, which action shall, on request, be brought and prosecuted by the district attorney of the county; but no person, while he continues to hold any office which would entitle him to such laws, shall be required to return the same as aforesaid.

Copies of laws to be stamped with name of office held by person receiving same.

To be delivered to his successor.

Penalty for refusing to deliver same to successor.

**SECTION 52.** The register of deeds in each county, within one month after the adjournment of the legislature in each year, shall forward to the superintendent of public property a statement of the number of officers in his county entitled by law to a copy of the laws of the preceding legislature, and as soon as the same are ready for distribution, the superintendent of public property shall forward to each register, properly packed in boxes, the number of copies of laws required by such statement, including one copy of each of the jour-

Register of deeds to furnish statement to superintendent of public property of number of officers entitled to copy of laws.

Superintendent to forward copy of laws to register of deeds.



Expense of transportation, how paid.

nals of the preceding session, and the message and documents, for each member of the legislature residing in the county, and take a receipt therefor. All expenses for transporting such documents to any county as provided in this section shall be paid out of the county treasury, and it shall be the duty of the register of deeds of each county to deliver such documents to the persons entitled to receive them, and not dispose of them in any other manner.

Copies to be kept for use of new counties and towns.

SECTION 53. The revised statutes, session laws, journals and documents remaining after the distribution provided for by law, shall be safely kept for the use of new counties and towns, as they shall become entitled to receive the same, but the superintendent of public property may sell to any person being a citizen of this state, a copy of each publication printed by the state printer, at the cost price thereof, to be computed by the secretary of state. And it shall be the duty of the superintendent of public property to keep an accurate account of such sales, and to pay the amount realized therefrom into the state treasury at the end of each quarter.

Supreme court reports, how distributed.

SECTION 54. All volumes of supreme court reports furnished to the state in pursuance of section thirty-five of this chapter, shall be distributed as follows: one copy to each of the justices of the supreme court of this state; one copy to the district judge of the United States for each district in the state; one copy to each judge of a circuit, county or municipal court of this state, and one copy to each of the clerks of the circuit courts of this state; said copies to be handed over to their successors in office. The copies of said reports remaining on hand after the distribution provided for in this chapter, shall be delivered to the state librarian, who shall stamp and keep in the library as many copies as may be necessary for the uses thereof, and shall safely keep the remainder until required for further distribution by law. And it shall be the duty of the superintendent of public property, as soon as may be convenient, after the adjournment of this legislature, to make distribution in accordance with this act, of any volumes of the supreme court reports heretofore delivered to the state and not yet distributed.

SECTION 55. The reports of the transactions of the State Historical Society shall be delivered to the secretary of said society.

Transactions of State Agricultural Society, how distributed.

SECTION 56. The transactions of the State Agricultural Society shall be distributed as follows: One thousand copies to the legislature; one hundred copies

to the State Historical Society; one hundred copies to the Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters; fifty copies to each district industrial organization embracing two or more counties, and furnishing the State Agricultural Society a report of its proceedings; twenty-five copies to each county agricultural society, and the remainder to the State Agricultural Society.

SECTION 57. The transactions of the State Horticultural Society shall be distributed by the state superintendent of public property as follows, viz.: Three copies to each member of the legislature; fifty copies to each town or county horticultural society that shall report its organization, with officers elect and number of members, with an abstract of its proceedings, for publication in said volume, to the secretary of the State Horticultural Society; fifteen copies to each county agricultural society reporting to the secretary of state; fifty copies to the State Agricultural Society; fifty copies to the State University; twenty-five copies to the State Historical Society, and all the remaining copies to the State Horticultural Society.

Transactions of State Horticultural Society, how distributed.

SECTION 58. The transactions of the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters shall be distributed as follows: One copy to each member of the legislature; one copy to the librarian of each state institution; one hundred copies to the State Agricultural Society; one hundred copies to the State Historical Society, and the remainder to said academy.

Transactions of Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters, how distributed.

SECTION 59. In the distribution of books or other packages, when such distribution is directed by law, if such packages are too large, or would cost too much to be sent by mail, they shall be sent by express, and the accounts for such express charges properly certified to, shall be audited by the secretary of state, and paid from the general fund.

Manner of distribution.

SECTION 60. There is hereby annually appropriated out of any money in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, a sum sufficient to meet the expenditures authorized by this act.

Appropriation to be made.

SECTION 61. Chapter six of the revised statutes, chapter three hundred and fifteen of the general laws of 1860, chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the general laws of 1865, chapter sixty of the general laws of 1870, chapter two hundred and ninety of the laws of 1873, and all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed: *provided*, that all laws necessary for the complete fulfillment of the contract with the present state printers, shall re-

Acts repealed.

main in full force until the expiration of said contract on the 31st day of December, 1874.

SECTION 62. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 11, 1874.

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## CHAPTER 244.

[Published March 24, 1874.]

AN ACT to declare a certain highway in Door and Kewaunee counties a state road.

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

Description of roads.

SECTION 1. The highway beginning at the halfway house on the Green Bay and Sturgeon Bay state road, situated on the northwest of the northeast quarter, of section 28, town 26, range 23, running thence easterly to the county line road between the counties of Kewaunee and Door to a point where the county line road intersects the river road, then along said river road to the village of Ahnapee, is hereby declared to be a state road.

Town boards to levy a tax.

SECTION 2. The several town boards of the towns of Union, Brussell and Forestville, in Door county, and the towns of Lincoln and Ahnapee, in Kewaunee county, are hereby authorized and required to levy and collect a highway tax of five mills on the dollar of all the taxable property of their several towns, for the purpose of opening and working said state road.

Town of Ahnapee to appropriate from harbor fund.

SECTION 3. The town board of the town of Ahnapee, is hereby authorized, by a majority of said board, to appropriate by resolution, a sum of money from the harbor fund of said town equal to five mills on the dollar of all taxable property of such towns, and in such case if an appropriation shall be made as aforesaid, then the said board shall not be required to levy and collect any mill tax for such year.

Money collected to be expended under directions of commissioners.

SECTION 4. All money levied and collected by virtue of this act shall be expended under the direction of five commissioners, who shall first execute to the state a good and sufficient bond in the penal sum of five hundred dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of the trusts authorized by this act, and conditioned for the faithful disbursement of all moneys