

tion to the assessment, levy, or collection of any such taxes, the same being irregular or illegal because of the defects, confusion, or insufficiency of the law, are hereby made and declared legal and valid for all purposes whatsoever.

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

Approved March 9, 1876.

CHAPTER 215.

[Published March 15, 1876.]

AN ACT relating to the hospitals for the insane.

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

Trustees to reside in hospital district.

SECTION 1. The trustees for the hospitals of the insane shall be representatives of and reside in the hospital district in which the hospital is located for which they are appointed. If any trustee shall remove, or be a non-resident of such district, the office shall thereby become vacant, and be filled by appointment as provided in other cases of vacancy.

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

Approved March 9, 1876.

CHAPTER 216.

[Published March 28, 1876.]

AN ACT to constitute and reorganize the Thirteenth judicial circuit, to change the limits of the Sixth (6) and Eighth (8) judicial circuits.

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

Organization of Thirteenth judicial circuit.

SECTION 1. The counties of Buffalo and Trempealeau are hereby detached from the Sixth (6) judicial circuit, and the county of Eau Claire from the Eighth (8) judicial circuits, and said counties of Buffalo,

Trempealeau, and Eau Claire shall constitute a judicial circuit, which shall be known and designated as the Thirteenth judicial circuit.

SECTION 2. The terms of the circuit court for said counties of Eau Claire, Buffalo and Trempealeau shall be held at the time now provided at law for holding the same. When terms to be held.

SECTION 3. There shall be held in the county of Eau Claire on the first Tuesday of August in each year a special term of said court for said entire circuit, which shall have power at such terms to transact any business or do any act which may be lawfully transacted or done at any general term of the circuit court without the intervention of a jury. Special term for circuit.

SECTION 4. An election for judge of said Thirteenth judicial circuit for the term of six (6) years shall be held in the several towns and wards therein on the first Tuesday of April, 1876, which election shall be conducted and the votes given thereat shall be canvassed and returned in all respects in accordance with existing laws providing for the election of circuit judges, and the term of office of the person who shall be chosen judge of said circuit at such election shall commence on the first day of June, A. D. 1876. No notice of such election is required, and the same shall not be held invalid for want of notice thereof. Election of judge.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on the first day of April, A. D. 1876, but the several counties comprising the said Thirteenth judicial circuit, shall, for judicial purposes, remain a part of the several judicial circuits to which they have been heretofore attached until the end of the thirty-first (31) day of May, A. D., 1876. When act to take effect.

SECTION 6. It shall be lawful for the judge of the circuit court of the thirteenth judicial circuit, created by this act, to appoint a phonographic reporter for each of the several counties in said circuit, who shall be a sworn officer of such court, and who shall be skilled in the art of short-hand reporting. Such reporter shall be allowed such daily compensation as shall be fixed by the judge of the court, not exceeding ten dollars (\$10) per day for each day's attendance upon such court, which shall be certified, audited and paid in like manner as is provided by law for the payment of the sheriff for attending upon court. Such reporter may charge and collect ten cents (10) per folio (of one hundred words) for making and furnishing transcripts of his short-hand notes of testimony. Phonographic reporter. Compensation of same.

and other proceedings to be paid for by the party requiring such transcript to be made. In the trial of criminal cases, the court may, in its discretion, order transcripts to be made, which shall be certified, audited and paid in the same manner as the reporter's per diem compensation. The judge may remove such reporter and fill the vacancy caused by such removal, or happening from any other cause.

SECTION 7. All acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 9, 1876.

CHAPTER 217.

[Published March 15, 1876.]

AN ACT legalizing the action of the county board of supervisors of Dunn county, fixing the salary of district attorney.

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

Action of
county board
legalized.

SECTION 1. The action of the county board of supervisors of Dunn county, Wisconsin, at their annual session in November, A. D. 1874, fixing the salary of the district attorney of Dunn county at the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) per annum for the term of office commencing on the first Monday of January, A. D. 1875, is hereby legalized and declared to be valid; *provided, however*, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to authorize the payment by the county to said district attorney for legal services, in any form or on any account, of more than twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200) for his term of two years.

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

Approved March 9, 1876.