

year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years; and annually thereafter said conference shall elect, in like manner, one visitor to the said university, who shall serve for the term of three years.

Visitors to be
ex-officio trust-
ees of univer-
sity.

SECTION 3. The visitors provided for by this act shall be *ex-officio* trustees of said university, with all the rights and duties of the other trustees.

SECTION 4. All acts or parts of acts providing for the election of visitors to said university, otherwise than as herein provided for, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved March 8, 1878.

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CHAPTER 124.

AN ACT to amend chapter fifty-five of the general laws of 1869 entitled, "An act to provide for stereotyping the reports of the decisions of the supreme court."

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

Supreme court
to appoint re-
porter.

SECTION 1. The supreme court shall, from time to time, appoint subject to removal, a competent person to report such decisions and opinions of said court as they may deem important and expedient to be reported and published. Such reporter, before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall execute a bond, with two sufficient sureties, to the state of Wisconsin, in the sum of two thousand dollars, to be approved by the secretary of state, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as such reporter.

Duty of report-
er.

SECTION 2. The supreme court reporter shall, as soon as practicable after the decisions of the supreme court are announced, furnish and deliver to the person, persons or corporation having the contract with the state for publishing the same, copies of such decisions, with a syllabus and brief abstract of the case, and briefs of counsel, if necessary, with suitable notes of the points decided in each case, and an index, to be published in suitable volumes. Each of said volumes shall contain not less than seven hundred and fifty, nor more than eight hundred pages, to be stereotyped,

printed and bound in a good substantial manner and form, of good material for law books, and of the same style and quality as volume thirty-nine of the Wisconsin reports, to be approved and accepted by the judges of the supreme court or a majority of them.

SECTION 3. The supreme court reporter shall have no pecuniary interest in such reports, but the same shall be published under the supervision of the reporter, by contract, to be entered into by the commissioners of the public printing with the person or persons or corporation who shall agree to publish and sell the same on the most advantageous terms to the people of this state, at a price not exceeding two dollars per volume of not less than seven hundred and fifty nor more than eight hundred pages; and if any such volume shall in any way, or from any cause, contain more than eight hundred pages, no increased or additional price shall be charged therefor: and also publish and deliver to the secretary of state at the earliest practicable time, and within sixty days after the delivery of the manuscripts for any one copy of reports to the publishers at the capitol in Madison, two hundred and fifty copies without expense or charge to the state in any respect, and shall agree to stereotype the same, and at all times keep the same on sale in the state of Wisconsin to residents of this state at the contract price, in suitable quantities and at such place or places as may be designated by said commissioners, and furnish the state any number of additional copies that may be thereafter required at the contract price, and procure new stereotype plates whenever the original plates shall become defaced or destroyed. The copyrights of all the reports hereafter published shall vest in the secretary of state for the benefit of the people of this state; but this shall not be construed to prevent the contractor by whom any volume is published, his representatives or assigns, from continuing the publication and sale of such volume, so long as he or they shall comply in all respects with the requirements of this act, in respect to the character, sale and price of such volume. The commissioners of public printing shall, commencing in the first week in April, 1878, and every eight years thereafter, advertise in six different newspapers in different localities in this state, for the term of six weeks, that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the secretary of state, for printing, publishing and selling as in this act provided the said reports for the term of eight years next thereafter, at a certain rate per volume, to

Publication of reports: price per volume, etc

Copyright to vest in secretary of state.

be stated in proposals, not exceeding the maximum price fixed by this act, and in accordance with the provisions of this act.

Each bidder to deposit \$1,000.

SECTION 4. Each bidder shall deposit with the state treasurer, before making his proposals, the sum of one thousand dollars, to be forfeited in case he shall not make a contract according to his proposals, if accepted, and according to the requirements of this act, and shall take a receipt of said treasurer and deposit the same with his proposals.

Successful bidder to file bond.

SECTION 5. The successful bidder shall make a contract according to the terms of his proposals, and according to the terms of this act, within thirty days after notice that the same is accepted and shall also file with the state treasurer a bond, in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars, conditioned to fulfill such contract in all particulars, with at least two sufficient sureties, residents of this state, to be approved by the secretary of state. Such bond shall, by its terms, be the joint and several obligations of the persons executing it. If the successful bidder shall fail to complete his contract or shall forfeit the same for any cause, the commissioners of public printing shall relet the contract as soon thereafter as practicable, and in the manner provided in section three of this act: *provided, however*, that such bidder may, in lieu of sureties to such bond, deposit therewith bonds of the United States payable to the bearer, amounting to not less than ten thousand dollars, which said bonds shall be deemed and held to be forfeited to the state of Wisconsin in case of the failure of such bidder to fulfill any of the conditions of his said bond by him to be performed.

When contract may be re-let.

Duty of successful bidder.

SECTION 6. The contract of the successful bidder, required by section five of this act, shall contain among others the following covenants on his part: 1. That he will not take out in his own name, nor procure to be taken out in the name of any person other than the secretary of state of this state, a copyright upon any volume published under such contract; and that upon any breach of this covenant, he will pay to the treasurer of this state five hundred dollars as liquidated damages. 2. That in case it shall be determined in any action upon the bond of such contractor, that he has failed in any respect to comply with the provisions of this act or of his contract, the commissioners of public printing may declare the contract forfeited; and that upon forfeiture, so declared, such contractor will, upon demand, transfer to the secretary of state of this state,

for the use of the state, the stereotyped plates of all volumes published under such contract, or will pay to the treasurer of this state one thousand dollars for each such volume, as liquidated damages for a failure to make such transfer, and such failure shall be deemed a breach of the conditions of such bond and such liquidated damages may be recovered by action upon such bond.

SECTION 7. The annual salary of the reporter of the supreme court shall be three thousand dollars. Salary of reporter.

SECTION 8. If the manuscript for one volume shall be in the hands of the printer for publication, when this act takes effect, such volume may be completed and published under existing laws. Incomplete publications.

SECTION 9. Sections thirty-five and forty of chapter two hundred and forty-three of the laws of Wisconsin of 1874, and chapter ninety-eight of the laws of Wisconsin of 1875, and chapter twenty-five of the revised statutes of 1858, and all acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed: *provided*, that the passage of this act shall not be construed to vacate the appointment of supreme court reporter. Acts repealed.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 8, 1878.

[No. 325, A.]

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CHAPTER 125.

AN ACT relating to the preservation of fish, and entitled "an act for the preservation of fish in the mill ponds known and designated at Dates mill and Briggsville ponds and the streams running into the same."

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

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to kill, destroy, catch, or take in any manner, or pursue with intent to kill, destroy, catch, or take in any way or manner whatever, any fish of any kind, in the pond commonly known and designated as Dates' mill pond, situated and lying in the counties of Columbia and Marquette, and the streams running into said pond, within the distance of two miles above the dam which forms said mill pond, or in Briggsville pond lying in the counties of Adams, Columbia and Marquette, be- Fishing—where prohibited.