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CHAPTER 188.

AN ACT to legalize the acts of William H. Gibson, a justice of the peace in Trempealeau county.

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

Legalized.

SECTION 1. The official acts of William H. Gibson, who was elected a justice of the peace within and for the county of Trempealeau, on the first Tuesday of April, 1878, are hereby declared to be as legal to all intents and purposes, as though the said William H. Gibson had been a citizen of the United States.

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

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CHAPTER 189.

AN ACT to authorize the commissioners of public lands to loan a portion of the trust fund of the state to the county of Taylor.

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

Amount of loan

SECTION 1. To enable the county of Taylor to purchase and cancel the outstanding bonds and coupons heretofore issued by said county, the commissioners of the public lands are hereby authorized to loan a portion of the trust fund of this state, not exceeding six thousand six hundred dollars, to the said county of Taylor, in this state, and the said county is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding said amount of said commissioners, and to issue to said commissioners certificates of the indebtedness to the state so contracted. Said indebtedness shall bear interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, and said interest shall be paid annually, together with, after two years from the date of said loan, not less than one-tenth of the principal sum annually, until the whole is paid.

Rate of interest.

Duty of secretary of state.

SECTION 2. Each and every year, until the whole loan be repaid, the secretary of state shall, when he apportions the state taxes among the several counties, add to the state tax which would be properly chargeable to said county of Taylor, the annual interest due the state on said loan, together with, after two years

from the date of such loan, ten per centum of the principal so loaned, and certify the same to the county clerk of said county, and the amount so certified as due, shall be levied and collected out of the taxable property of said county, and paid over to the state treasurer at the same time and in the same way, as other state taxes are collected and paid.

SECTION 3. And it is further provided that the said county of Taylor shall never, while said certificates of indebtedness remain unpaid, become indebted or contract debts, for a greater amount, including debts heretofore contracted, as well as that herein authorized, than five per centum of its average taxable property, as the same shall appear from the last two assessment rolls of said county prior to the date of said certificates of indebtedness.

Total indebtedness limited.

SECTION 4. Said certificates of indebtedness shall be made payable to the commissioners of the public lands, in such form as said commissioners shall prescribe, and shall be signed by the chairman of the county board of supervisors of said county of Taylor, and countersigned by the county clerk of said county. Said certificates shall be deposited by the chairman of said county board with the state treasurer as custodian thereof, together with a list of the bonds of said county and the coupons attached which are unpaid. No money shall be paid or become payable to said county of Taylor upon or for said certificates of indebtedness, and the said certificates shall have no validity or effect unless nor until the said unpaid bonds and coupons of said county shall be surrendered to said commissioners of the public lands for cancellation upon their paying to the holders of the same, on account of said county, such price or prices as may be agreed upon between the county board of supervisors of said county and the holders of any such bonds upon which surrender, and not before, the said certificates of indebtedness shall be delivered to said commissioners by said state treasurer, and become in force, all the bonds so surrendered for cancellation, with the unpaid coupons, shall be cancelled by said commissioners, who shall forthwith make and sign in duplicate a certificate of said cancellation, setting forth therein the number, amount and date of each instrument so cancelled, and of the numbers and amounts of the coupons aforesaid, one of which certificates shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state and the other in the office of the county clerk of said county.

Manner of payment to be prescribed by commissioners of public lands.

Surrender of unpaid bonds and coupons.

Certificate of acceptance to be filed.

SECTION 5. Before contracting any debt hereunder, and before any of said trust funds shall be delivered in payment for said bonds of said county, said county board of supervisors shall file with the secretary of state a duly certified copy of a resolution by said county board accepting the provisions of this act and the terms and limitations herein provided.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 190.

AN ACT in relation to a ferry across the Mississippi river, and amendatory of chapter two hundred and sixteen of the private and local laws of 1871, entitled an act to authorize Henry Gardner and Albert H. Wareham to keep and maintain a ferry across the Mississippi river at a point where the line of Crawford and Vernon counties strikes said river.

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

Location of ferry.

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and sixteen of the private and local laws of 1871, entitled an act to authorize Henry Gardner and Albert H. Wareham to keep and maintain a ferry across the Mississippi river, at a point where the line of Crawford and Vernon counties strikes said river, is hereby amended by striking out of the fourth line of said section one, the words, "for the term of ten years," where they occur in the fourth line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "until the first day of January, 1890," so that said section will read as follows: Section 1. Henry Gardner and Albert H. Wareham, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns shall have the exclusive right and privilege, until the first day of January, 1890, of keeping and maintaining a ferry across the Mississippi river, where the county line between Crawford and Vernon strikes the said river, it being in the village of De Soto, and for one mile north and south of said point up and down said river, and from thence to Lansing, in the state of Iowa.

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

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