

liquors to be drank on the premises, under the provisions of section 1548b of the revised statutes, and the time for holding such election shall not be limited by any election held in the town of Barron for like purposes.

SECTION 13. No general laws contravening the provisions of this act shall be considered as repealing, amending, or modifying the same, except such purpose be expressly set forth in such law. No general laws interfere.

SECTION 14. This act is hereby declared a public act, and shall be liberally construed in all courts of this state. Public act.

SECTION 15. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
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CHAPTER 164.

AN ACT to amend chapter 221, laws of 1882, entitled, "an act to reduce the act incorporating the city of Janesville," and the several acts amendatory thereof, into one act and to amend the same.

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

SECTION 1. Title 12, of chapter 221, of the laws of 1882, is hereby amended by adding thereto an additional section, to be numbered section 47a, to read as follows: Section 47a. The city of Janesville, by its mayor and in its corporate name, is hereby authorized and empowered to make and enter into a contract for the construction, operation and maintenance of a system of water-works for fire protection and other public and private uses within said city, with any individual, company, partnership or corporation, for such length of time, upon such terms and conditions, and granting such privileges and rights thereto and therefor as to the mayor may seem just and Water-works provided for.

proper, which contract or ordinance, in the nature of a contract, before it shall become binding upon the city, shall be submitted to the common council of said city and be ratified, approved or adopted by the common council, and signed by the mayor; said contract or ordinance shall reserve to the city of Janesville the right to purchase the system of water-works constructed thereunder, upon the terms and conditions stated therein, and shall limit the right of the person, company, partnership or corporation that may construct or own or operate said system of water-works, his, their or its successors or assigns, to bond, mortgage or otherwise incumber the same, and any lien or incumbrance placed thereon or suffered or allowed to remain on said system of water-works, in excess of the limitations expressed in the contract or ordinance, shall be and is hereby declared null and void; provided, however, that the authority hereby conferred shall be so exercised as not to oblige the city to pay for at least one hundred and seventy hydrants for fire protection uses, a sum exceeding as rental forty-five hundred dollars per annum, and for each additional hydrant a sum exceeding twenty-five dollars per annum. The city, by its common council, is authorized to sell, assign, transfer and convey to the person, partnership, company or corporation it may contract with for the construction of water-works, or to any other person, the right, title and interest the city or its board of water commissioners has or have in and to the real estate whereon the artesian well is now being sunk or drilled and the other lands acquired, or in which the city has any rights or interest, and intended for use in the building of a system of water-works, on such terms and conditions as it may deem just; provided, a contract shall be made for the construction of water-works by a private company and not under city ownership.

Election of street commissioner provided for.

SECTION 2. The street commissioner, now provided for by the charter of the city shall hereafter be elected by the people at the annual charter elections, and shall hold his office for the period of one year and until his successor is elected and shall duly qualify as required by this charter. Such street commissioner, when elected, may be removed by the common council, should he in the

judgment of the council be, or becomes inefficient in the discharge of his duties; and in case of removal or other disability, the common council may appoint a street commissioner for the unexpired term of the person so removed.

SECTION 3. The mayor of the city may suspend or remove any police officer of the city whenever in his judgment it would be proper to do so; in case of suspension or removal, he shall report the fact, together with his reasons therefor, to the common council of the city, and thereupon the council may elect or appoint some other person as successor to the person so removed.

Duty of mayor to remove police officer.

SECTION 4. In case the city shall contract for the construction of water-works, under section 1, of this act, then forty-five hundred dollars of the license money annually received by the city, for the granting of licenses to deal in intoxicating or fermented liquors or drinks, shall be placed to the credit of the water and fire department fund, and the remainder shall be placed to the credit of the general fund; otherwise all of it shall be placed to the credit of the last named fund.

How license moneys to be expended.

SECTION 5. Section 10, of said title 12, of said chapter 221, is hereby repealed.

Repealed.

SECTION 6. Whenever the common council shall order the repavement of that part of West Milwaukee street now covered with Nicholson pavement, it may pay such sum upon its costs, from the ward funds of the First, Fourth and Fifth wards, as it may deem just, in addition to what it is now obliged to pay under the existing law.

Paving of Milwaukee street.

SECTION 7. All power and authority conferred upon the "board of water commissioners of the city of Janesville," by section three (3), of chapter 350 of the laws of 1883, is hereby suspended until June 1, 1887, at 12 o'clock noon. If the city of Janesville shall, at or prior to the time last above mentioned, have made and entered into a contract with any person, company, partnership or corporation for the construction and operation of water-works in said city under and in pursuance of section 1, of this act, then and thereupon from and after the said first day of June, 1887, the power and authority of said board of water commissioners, and their said office, shall terminate and cease; provided, however, that said

Water commissioners' powers.

board may prosecute the work on the artesian well now being drilled in said city, to completion, or until their said offices shall terminate and cease as herein provided, unless a contract shall be made by said city for water-works under section 1, of this act prior to that time. If a contract for the construction of water-works shall be made by said city under section 1, of this act, then and thereupon said board of commissioners shall deliver to the city clerk of said city all records, papers, plans, diagrams and specifications, relating to the construction of water-works in said city, in their possession as such board, and shall also make and file with the city clerk of said city a written report of their transactions as such board, for and on behalf of said city, which report shall contain a full and accurate detailed statement of all expenditures made and indebtedness incurred by said board, by reason, on account of, or connected with the construction of water-works in said city, and shall also, without delay, transfer and convey to said city of Janesville, any and all rights and interests which said board has acquired in or to any real or personal property, or both, for said city. In case no contract for the construction and operation of water-works shall be made or entered into by said city prior to the time above mentioned, then said board of water commissioners shall proceed with the construction of water-works in said city under and in pursuance of said section 3, of chapter 350, of the laws of 1883. In case the said city shall make and enter into a contract for water-works under section 1, of this act, and also in case of the failure of said city to make or enter into such contract, the mayor of the city shall give notice thereof in writing to the president of said board.

Amended.

SECTION 8. Chapter 171, of the laws of 1855, entitled, "an act to incorporate the Janesville Manufacturing and Hydraulic Company," is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: Before any work of construction shall be done hereunder the consent of the city of Janesville shall be first obtained thereto.

Bridge over
Rock river to be
maintained.

SECTION 9. The city of Janesville, by its mayor and common council, is hereby authorized to receive and accept, and thereafter maintain the

new bridge over Rock river at the foot of North First street, just above the upper dam in the city. Upon such acceptance, the city may pay therefor a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars, from the general fund, or from the highway, street and bridge fund, or by taxation. The construction of said bridge over Rock river is hereby legalized, and its maintenance authorized.

SECTION 10. The corners at sidewalk intersections upon streets shall be deemed, taken and considered as part of the sidewalk; the owners of corner lots are or may be required to construct and maintain under the charter.

Corners to be part of sidewalk.

SECTION 11. Section 7, of chapter 10, of said chapter 221, is amended by striking out all down to and including the word, "members," in the fifth line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: The common council shall have power to organize a company of fire police and to provide for the expense of maintaining the same, which shall be known as the Janesville fire police, to consist of not more than twenty members.

Fire police may be organized.

SECTION 12. Section 2, of said chapter 350, laws of 1883, is hereby amended by adding to said section the following: And the same shall be used for the purposes herein and therein specified.

Amended.

SECTION 13. Before any contract shall be made for the construction of water-works, there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the city of Janesville who are tax-payers in said city, at its annual charter election to be held in April, A. D. 1887, the question whether they shall be constructed and owned by a private company or by the city. The form of ballots shall be as follows: "For private construction," "For city construction," and on separate pieces of paper and furnished by the city. Said ballots, when voted, shall be placed in a box by themselves, and shall be canvassed, and the results of such canvass be returned and be made known in the same manner as the votes that shall be cast for ward or city officers at said election. If a majority of the electors who are tax-payers voting thereon, shall be for city ownership, then no contract shall be made under section one (1) of this act, and the board of water commissioners shall thereupon immediately proceed with the construction of said water-works under section three (3), of chapter 350, of

Relating to the construction of water-works.

the laws of 1883. Should the majority of votes so cast be for private construction and the mayor shall fail to obtain a contract satisfactory to himself, and if satisfactory, the common council shall fail to approve it on or before said June 1, 1887, then said board of water commissioners shall proceed with the construction of water-works under said section three (3), and the authority conferred by said section one of this act shall thereupon terminate. Notice of the aforesaid submission of the question published at least three days preceding said election in the daily papers of the city of Janesville, shall be sufficient notice thereof. If the question shall be raised whether a person offering to vote is a tax-payer within said city, recourse may be had to the tax roll of the city for the year 1886 to determine the fact.

SECTION 14. This act shall take effect from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 29, 1887.

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CHAPTER 165.

AN ACT to amend the charter of the city of Sturgeon Bay.

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

City boundaries changed.

SECTION 1. Section 2, of chapter 341, of the laws of 1883, as amended by section 1, chapter 119, laws of 1885, is hereby amended so that said section 2, as now amended, shall read: Section 2. Said city shall embrace the following described territory: Beginning at a point in the waters of Sturgeon Bay on the line between township twenty-seven north, of range twenty-six east, and township twenty-eight north, of range twenty-six east, produced west equi-distant from the opposite shores of said bay and thence running east to the shore of said bay, and thence east on said line between townships twenty-seven north, and twen-