

as follows: Section 1697. Within twenty days after the execution of the assignment, the assignor shall also make and file in the office of said clerk a correct inventory of his assets and a list of his creditors, stating the place of residence of each such creditor and the amount due to each, which inventory and list shall each be verified by his oath, and have affixed a certificate of the assignee that the same is correct, according to his best knowledge and belief; but no mistake therein shall invalidate such assignment or affect the right of any creditor.

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

Approved April 2, 1887.

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## CHAPTER 318.

AN ACT to amend chapter 200, of the laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 422, of the laws of 1885, relating to the punishment of a father for abandonment of his children, and of a husband for the abandonment of his wife.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 200, laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 422, laws of 1885, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: If any parent shall wilfully abandon his or her minor children or either of them, leaving them or either of them, in a destitute condition, or being of sufficient ability, shall unreasonably refuse or neglect to provide for his or her minor child, or children, or either of them, or if a husband shall wilfully abandon his wife, leaving her in a destitute condition, or being of sufficient ability, shall unreasonably refuse or neglect to provide for her, such parent or husband shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail not

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less than fifteen days, ten days of which imprisonment, in the discretion of the court, the food may be bread and water only, or by imprisonment in the state prison not exceeding one year, except in counties having work-houses, commitment may be made to such work-house, in the discretion of the court.

County and municipal courts to have concurrent jurisdiction with circuit, of offences under this act.

SECTION 2. The several county and municipal courts of the state shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit court of all offenses arising under this act, and every such county and municipal court shall be deemed open at all times to hear, try and determine all cases arising under this act.

Process for apprehension to issue at any time.

SECTION 3. For the apprehension of any person or persons charged with a misdemeanor, as defined in section 1, of this act, the judge of the several courts of record in vacation as well as in term time, and the court commissioners are hereby authorized to issue process to carry into effect the provisions of this act, and all proceedings for the arrest and examination of offenders shall be had and conducted under the provisions of chapter 195, of the revised statutes.

When accused bound over, papers to be transmitted forthwith by officer conducting same.

SECTION 4. When upon such examination the accused shall be bound over or held for trial, the judge or court commissioner conducting such examination shall forthwith transmit the record thereof to the county or municipal court of such county, and shall order the accused forthwith to appear before such court to which the accused has been so held, there to stand trial. The district attorney of such county shall appear for the state, and, as soon as practicable, file an information against the accused under the provisions of this act.

Sentence by court or trial by jury.

SECTION 5. When arraigned upon such information, if the defendant pleads guilty the court shall at once proceed to pass sentence; but if such defendant shall not plead guilty, a jury shall forthwith be impaneled, and the defendant put upon trial, unless the case be continued for cause.

Special venire may be ordered.

SECTION 6. Whenever the court in which any information provided for in the preceding section shall have been filed, shall not at the time of filing such information, have a regular jury panel of jurors present, the court shall order a special venire to the sheriff, commanding him to sum-

mon the number of persons therein named from the county at large, qualified by law to serve as jurors in a court of record, who shall not be of kin to the defendant nor interested in the case.

SECTION 7. The trial, except as otherwise provided in this act, and all proceedings therein and subsequent thereto, shall be conducted as near as may be in conformity with the practice in the circuit court in criminal cases, and the clerk of the circuit court of the county shall act as clerk of the county court in all cases under this act, and he shall receive the same fees as he is entitled to receive for like services in the circuit court.

Trial, how conducted.

SECTION 8. In all cases arising under the provisions of this act, the wife shall be a competent witness to testify for or against her husband.

Wife competent witness for or against husband.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.  
Approved April 2, 1887.

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## CHAPTER 319.

AN ACT relating to forms for, and statements of licensed insurance companies, and amendatory of section 1971, of the revised statutes, entitled, "of insurance corporations."

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

SECTION 1. Section 1971, of chapter 89, of the revised statutes of 1878, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1971. The commissioner of insurance shall prepare and furnish to each insurance corporation organized under the laws of this state, and to the attorneys of corporations, incorporated in other states and countries, doing any business of insurance in this state, printed forms of annual and other statements as required by the laws of this state, to be made by such corporations, and he may make such changes in such forms as shall seem best adapted to elicit

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