

the term of office of any member appointed to fill out the unexpired term of any present member of such commission.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 131.)

27. It shall be the duty of the mayors of all cities of the first class whether acting under a general or special charter to appoint a sufficient number of members for the police and fire commissions of such cities so that the said commissions shall conform with the provisions of this act, and such additional members and their successors shall be appointed for a term of five years.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 131.)

SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts conflicting with any of the provisions of this act are repealed in so far as they are inconsistent therewith.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 10, 1911.

Approved July 6, 1911.

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CHAPTER 587.

AN ACT to amend section 854 of the statutes, relating to the incorporation of villages.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 854 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 854. *Any part of any town or towns not more than one-half mile in area, and not included in any village, and all lying in the same county, which shall contain a resident population of not less than one hundred and fifty persons therein, or any part of any town or towns * * * larger than one-half square mile in area and not included in any village, and all lying in the same county, which shall contain a resident population of not less than two hundred persons thereon, or any part of any town or towns, not less than one square mile in area, and not included in any village, and lying in two or more adjoining counties, and which shall contain a resident population of at least four hundred persons to every square mile thereof, may, upon compliance with the conditions of this chapter, become incorporated as a village by such name as may be designated in the order of the court for its incorporation with the ordinary powers of a municipal corporation, and such as are conferred by the statutes. All villages incorporated under the provisions of section 854 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin for 1878, before the 29th day*

of April, 1877, are declared to be duly and legally incorporated, and the official acts of the officers thereof legalized.

(Am. 1911, c. 964, s. 132.)

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

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CHAPTER 588.

AN ACT to amend subsection 3, of section 1038, of the statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection 3, of section 1038, of the statutes, is amended to read: (Section 1038) 3. Personal property owned by any religious, scientific, literary or benevolent association, used exclusively for the purposes of such association, and the real property, if not leased or not otherwise used for pecuniary profit, necessary for the location and convenience of the buildings of such association and embracing the same, not exceeding ten acres; and the lands reserved for grounds of a chartered college or university, not exceeding forty acres; and parsonages, whether of local churches or districts, and whether occupied by the pastor permanently or rented for his benefit. The occasional leasing of such buildings for schools, public lectures or concerts, or the leasing of such parsonages, shall not render them liable to taxation. The endowment funds and real and personal estate of any public library association, organized under the laws of this state, which, or the income of which, shall be used or invested for the purposes of such association. *The endowment funds and the real and personal estate of any corporation formed solely to encourage the fine arts, organized under the laws of this state, without capital stock, and paying no dividends or pecuniary profits to its members.*

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

Approved July 7, 1911.