

SEC. 4. If the court shall find for the defendant on such issue provided for by the first section of this act, the same proceedings shall thereupon be had as is provided by the 28th section of the act of which this act is amendatory, before the plaintiff shall be permitted further to proceed with said suit.

SEC. 5. The traverse of such statements in plaintiff's affidavit may be made at any time before issue is joined in the suit upon the merits of plaintiff's claim or demand.

SEC. 6. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

FREDERICK W. HORN,

*Speaker of the Assembly.*

DUNCAN C. REED,

*President pro tempore of the Senate.*

Approved, February 19th, 1851.

NELSON DEWEY.

An Act for the relief of the town of Deperre in the County of Brown.

Chap. 90.

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

SECTION 1. The Town Superintendent of schools of the town of Deperre in the county of Brown is hereby authorised to divide said town into convenient School Districts at any time before the first Monday in April next by giving the necessary and proper notice for that purpose as is now required by law for subdividing a town into school districts in the first instance, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

District Subdivision.

SEC. 2. That the Town Superintendent of schools of the Town of Deperre in the county of Brown be and hereby is authorised and empowered to receive and distribute to the several school districts in said town, the full amount of school money which would have been due to them had the said several districts fully complied with the law regulating the distribution of school moneys for the year ending on the first Monday of April next any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

School Money.

FREDERICK W. HORN,

*Speaker of the Assembly.*

DUNCAN C. REED,

*President pro tempore of the Senate.*

Approved, February 19th, 1851.

NELSON DEWEY.

An Act to legalize the official acts of the Town Officers of the Town of Ellington, in Brown County.

Chap. 91.

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

SECTION 1. The Assessment roll of the Town of Ellington,

in the County of Brown, certified to by the Assessors of said town, on the first day of September, 1850, and the warrant of the Town Clerk of said town, for the collection of the taxes, to be collected therein, dated the 14th day of December, 1850, are hereby declared valid in law, to all intents and purposes.

**Act confirmed.** SEC. 2. The official acts of John P. Rynders, the Town Treasurer of said town, in the collection of taxes therein by virtue of the warrant mentioned in the first section of this act, are hereby declared valid in law to all intents and purposes as they would have been if the said treasurer had strictly complied with the law in executing and filling his oath of office and official bond, and as they would have been if the Assessors and Town Clerk of said town had strictly complied with the law in the discharge of their official duties.

SEC. 3. The time for the collection of taxes in said town is hereby extended to the 20th day of March, 1851, and the said treasurer is hereby authorized to levy and collect the taxes now due from delinquents, when the delinquents have personal property, as now provided by law.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

FREDERICK W. HORN,

*Speaker of the Assembly.*

SAMUEL W. BEALL,

*Lt. Governor and President of the Senate.*

Approved, February 20th, 1851.

NELSON DEWEY.

## Chap. 92.

An Act to provide for the organization of Electric Telegraph Companies.

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

**Preliminary.** SECTION. 1. Any three or more persons desirous of forming a corporation for the purpose of building and working lines of Electric Telegraph, may sign and acknowledge before some officer authorized to take the acknowledgment of deeds, a certificate in writing, in which shall be stated the name of such corporation, and the general route on which such Telegraph line is designed to be constructed, the capital stock of such corporation, the terms of its existence, which shall not exceed thirty years, the number of shares of which said stock shall consist, the number of directors, and their names, who shall manage the concerns of the corporation the first year.

SEC. 2. Such certificate shall be filed in the office of the register of deeds in the county where the books of the corporation are kept, and a duplicate thereof shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state.

SEC. 3. When such certificate shall have been filed as aforesaid, the persons who shall have signed and acknowledged the