

as follows: "Section 2. From and after the first day of May, A. D. 1863, the superintendent of the state reform school shall charge to each of the several counties in this state, in a book provided by him for that purpose, the sum of one dollar per week for the care and maintenance of each person remaining in said state reform school, who was committed thereto as a vagrant, 'or by reason of incorrigible or vicious conduct,' or who may thereafter be received into said state reform school, committed for vagrancy or incorrigible [incorrigible] or vicious conduct, from each of such counties, respectively: *provided*, that the costs of original commitment of all persons to said state reform school, shall be chargeable to the county from which the person committed to said school is sent; *and provided, further*, that it shall be the duty of the superintendent of said state reform school to procure the arrest and return of any person escaping therefrom; and it shall also be the duty of any justice of the peace, marshal or constable, upon information of such escape, to arrest and return any such fugitive as above mentioned."

List of commitments.

Duty of officers.

Repeal.

SECTION 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, is [are] hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 31, 1863.

CHAPTER 188.

[Published April 16, 1863.]

AN ACT to enable the city and town of Ripon, formerly the town of Ceresco, to readjust and arrange their indebtedness on the bonds issued by the town of Ceresco, in aid of the construction of the Milwaukee and Horicon railroad.

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

May issue bonds in exchange for those issued by town of Ceresco to aid Mil. and Hor. R. R.

SECTION 1. The city and town of Ripon, in the county of Fond du Lac, are hereby authorized to issue new bonds in exchange for those heretofore issued by the town of Ceresco, in aid of the construction of the

Milwaukee and Horicon railroad, now outstanding and unpaid, upon such terms as may be agreed upon between said city and town and the holders of such bonds, in the manner in this act provided, which new bonds may be made payable at such place and at such time, not exceeding twenty years from their date, as may be agreed upon with said holders; and they shall be payable to bearer, and be transferrable [transferable] by delivery, with coupons attached for interest, payable semi-annually, at a rate not exceeding seven per cent. per annum.

How payable,
interest, &c.

SECTION 2. The common council of the city of Ripon shall appoint three freeholders, residents of said city, who shall constitute a board of commissioners, to be styled the "commissioners of the public debt of the city of Ripon," and the city clerk of said city shall notify such commissioners of their appointment, within ten days thereafter; and such commissioners if they consent to serve, shall accept such appointment in writing, which acceptance shall be filed with the city clerk. If said commissioners, or either of them, shall neglect or refuse to accept such appointment within ten days after being notified thereof, the said common council shall have power to appoint other commissioners in their stead; and said council shall have power to fill any vacancy in said board of commissioners that may occur from time to time, by reason of resignation or death, or from any other cause.

Commissioners
of public debt of
city.

Vacancy.

SECTION 3. The board of supervisors of the town of Ripon shall appoint three freeholders, residents of said town, who shall constitute a board of commissioners, to be styled the "commissioners of public debt of the town of Ripon," and the town clerk of said town shall notify such commissioners of their appointment within ten days thereafter; and such commissioners, if they shall consent to serve, shall accept such appointment in writing, which acceptance shall be filed with the town clerk of said town. If said commissioners, or either of them, shall neglect or refuse to accept such appointment and to file the same with the town clerk, as herein provided, within ten days after they shall have been notified thereof, the said board of supervisors shall have power to appoint other commissioners in their stead; and said board of supervisors shall have power to fill any vacancy in said board of commissioners that may occur from

Commissioners
of public debt
town.

Vacancy.

time to time, by reason of resignation or death, or from any other cause.

Commissioners to determine proportion to be paid by city and town.

SECTION 4. The commissioners of the public debt of the city of Ripon and of the town of Ripon, appointed in accordance with the provisions of this act, shall hold one or more joint meetings at such time and place as they shall agree upon; and at such meeting or meetings shall proceed to adjust and determine [determine] the proportion to be paid by such city and town, respectively, of the amount [amount] that may be agreed upon by such city and town, as is hereinafter provided, in settlement of the bonds issued by the town or Ceresco in aid of the construction of the Milwaukee and Horicon railroad, having reference. [reference,] so far as may be, to the assessed valuation of the real and personal estate of such city and town last made by the assessor [assessors] of such city and town before the making of such adjustment; and said commissioners, whenever they shall have adjusted and determined the proportion to be paid by said city and town, respectively, as herein provided, which shall be assented to and approved by a majority of both boards, [both boards,] shall file one report thereof, signed by a majority of each board of commissioners, in the office of the city clerk of the city of Ripon, and another like report in the office of the town clerk of the town of Ripon; and if the city and town of Ripon shall vote to accept any proposition that may be made to them by said bondholders, as is hereinafter provided, the amount to be paid shall be assumed by said city and town, in the proportions fixed in said reports.

To file reports.

Acceptance of proposition.

Proposition of bondholders.

SECTION 5. Whenever, after the filing of the reports as provided in the preceding [preceding] section, the holders of not less than forty-four thousand dollars of the bonds issued by the town of Ceresco, in aid of the construction of the Milwaukee and Horicon railroad, or their attorney or attorneys, shall make a proposition in writing to the said city and town of Ripon, for the compromise of the indebtedness of such city and town, on said bonds, stating the amount to be paid by each upon the basis of the adjustment hereinbefore provided for, and such proposition shall be filed with the town clerk of the town (*clerk of the town*) of Ripon, and with the city clerk of the city of Ripon, it shall be the duty of the town clerk of the town of Ripon, whenever request-

Notice of election in town, to vote on proposition.

ed in writing by a majority of the commissioners of the public debt of the town of Ripon, to publish or to cause to be published, by posting in three or more public places in said town, notices of an election to be held by the legal voters of the town of Ripon, at the usual places of holding elections in such town, at such time as he may designate, which shall not be less than twenty nor more than thirty days from the date of such notice; which notice shall call upon said voters to deposit a ballot upon which shall be printed or written the words, "for the proposition of the bondholders," or the words, "against the proposition of the bondholders," or words of a similar import; and an election shall be held in accordance with such notice, which shall be conducted in the same manner that (*that*) general elections are required to be conducted in said town; and the votes cast at such election shall be counted, canvassed and returned in the same manner as the votes at any general election; and the canvassers shall make, certify, sign and deposit with the town clerk of the town of Ripon, a statement of the whole number of votes cast upon the question, as well as a statement of the number "for the proposition of the bondholders," and of the number "against the proposition of the bondholders," and such statement shall be conclusive evidence of the fact as to the number of votes cast for and against such proposition, and also of the fact that such election was regularly held and conducted according to law.

How election to be conducted, votes canvassed, &c.

SECTION 6. After any proposition shall have been made and filed in accordance with the provisions of the preceeding [preceding] section, it shall be the duty of the common council of the city of Ripon, upon the request of a majority of the commissioners of the public debt of the city of Ripon, to appoint an election to be held in the different wards of the city of Ripon, at the usual places of holding general elections in such wards, and at such time as they shall appoint, not less than twenty and not more than thirty days from the date of such appointment, for the purpose of voting upon such proposition of the bondholders; and the city clerk shall forthwith publish, or cause to be published, by posting up copies thereof in two or more public places in each ward of said city, a notice of such election, calling upon the legal voters of the city of Ripon, at such election, to deposit a ballot upon which

Election in city, to vote on proposition.

shall be printed or written the words, "for the proposition of the bondholders," or the words, "against the proposition of the bondholders," or words of a similar import. Such election shall be held and conducted in the same manner that general elections are required to be held and conducted in said city of Ripon; and the votes cast at such election shall be counted, returned and canvassed in the same manner as the votes at any general election; and the canvassers shall make, sign and deposit with the city clerk of the city of Ripon, a statement of the whole number of votes cast upon the question, as well as a statement of the number "for the proposition of the bondholders," and of the number "against the proposition of the bondholders," and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the fact as to the number of votes cast for or against such proposition, and also of the fact that such election was regularly held and conducted according to law.

SECTION 7. If a majority of the legal voters voting on the question, of the city of Ripon and of the town of Ripon, at any elections held in pursuance of this act, shall, as indicated by the official returns of such elections, vote for the proposition of the bondholders, it shall be the duty of the chairman of the board of supervisors and the town clerk of the town of Ripon, to execute and deliver to the commissioners of the public debt of the town of Ripon, bonds of the town of Ripon for the amount to be paid by the town of Ripon, according to the proposition of the bondholders and the adjustment provided for in this act, which shall be for the sum of five hundred dollars each, unless, in order to adjust the amount due any bondholder it shall be necessary to issue to him a bond of less amount than five hundred dollars, which bonds shall be signed by the chairman of the board of supervisors and countersigned by the town clerk of the town of Ripon; and the commissioners of the public debt of the town of Ripon, or a majority of them, shall endorse upon such bonds a certificate that the same are issued in pursuance of the provisions of this act, and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence that the same have been duly issued in accordance with the provisions of this act; and it shall be the duty of the mayor and clerk of the city of Ripon to execute and deliver to the commissioners of the public debt of the

How election to be conducted, votes canvassed, &c.

If election in favor of proposition, chairman of board of town to execute and deliver bonds to commissioners.

Amount of each bond.

How signed, &c.

Certificates.

Mayor and clerk of city to execute and deliver bonds to commissioners.

city of Ripon, the bonds of the city of Ripon for the amount to be paid by the city of Ripon, according to said proposition and adjustment, which shall be for the sum of five hundred dollars each, (unless, in order to adjust the amount due any bondholder, it shall be necessary to issue to him a bond of less amount than five hundred dollars,) and shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the city clerk of the city of Ripon; and the commissioners of the public debt of the city of Ripon, or a majority of them, shall endorse upon such bonds a certificate that the same are issued in pursuance of this act; and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence that the same has been duly issued in pursuance of this act. The bonds issued by said town and city shall be in such form, and be payable, principal and interest, at such times and at such place as proposed in the proposition of the bondholders: *provided*, they shall not conflict in any manner with the provisions of section 1 of this act.

Amount of each bond.

How signed, &c.

Certificate.

Bonds—form, when and where payable, interest, &c.

SECTION 8. After the bonds of the city and town of Ripon shall have been placed in the hand [hands] of the commissioners of the public debt of said city and town, as provided in section seven of this act, it shall be the duty of said commissioners of said city and town to hold a joint meeting at such time and place as they may agree upon; and they shall give notice thereof, by mail, to all of the holders of the bonds issued by the town of Ceresco, as aforesaid, whose residence [residences] shall have been made known to them; and at such meetings said commissioners shall, upon the surrender to them by any holder of the bonds of the town of Ceresco, issued in aid of the construction of the Milwaukee and Horicon railroad, of such bonds as may be held by him, deliver to such holder the amount and number of bonds issued by the city of Ripon and town of Ripon to which he would be entitled by the terms of the proposition mentioned in section five of this act; and if all the bonds issued by said town of Ceresco, as aforesaid, shall not be surrendered and exchanged at the first meeting of the commissioners, provided for in this section, the commissioners may hold other or adjourned meetings, of which notice shall be given, by mail, to the holders whose residence [residences] shall be known to them, who have not surrendered their bonds; and at such meetings said commissioners shall exchange the bonds of the city and town

Joint meeting of commissioners, and notice thereof to bondholders.

Exchange of bonds.

Adjourned meetings, and exchange of bonds thereat.

Cancellation of surrendered bonds.

of Ripon for such of the town of Ceresco as shall be surrendered by any holder thereof, as herein provided; and said commissioners shall cancel all such bonds as shall be surrendered to them as aforesaid, and deposit the same as cancelled [canceled] in the office of the town clerk of the town of Ripon or of the clerk of the city of Ripon.

Re-submission of proposition.

SECTION 9. If a majority of the legal voters voting on the question, of the city of Ripon and the town of Ripon, at any election held in pursuance of the provisions of this act, shall, as indicated by the official returns of such elections, vote against any proposition of the bondholders, it shall be lawful for said city and town, or either of them, to hold another election or other elections to vote upon the same, or any other proposition of the bondholders, submitted in the manner hereinbefore provided; and such elections shall be called and held in the same manner, and the same proceedings shall be had and the same steps and measures taken subsequent thereto, as is hereinbefore provided; and whenever a majority of the legal voters voting on the question, of the city and town of Ripon, at any elections held in pursuance of this act, shall, as indicated by the official returns of such elections, vote for any proposition of the bondholders, the mayor and clerk of the city of Ripon and the chairman of the board of supervisors and the town clerk of the town of Ripon, shall issue new bonds for the amount to be assumed by each, and the same shall be delivered to the commissioners of the public debt of the city of Ripon and of the town of Ripon, respectively; and the same shall be exchanged by them for the said bonds of the town of Ceresco, with the holders thereof, as is hereinbefore provided: *provided*, that nothing contained in this act, nor any act of the city or town of Ripon, or of the officers thereof, under the provisions of this act, shall be construed as admitting or creating any liability on the part of such city or town, upon said bonds issued in aid of the construction of the Milwaukee and Horicon railroad, unless a majority of the voters of both said city and town shall vote to accept a proposition of the holders of said bonds, in accordance with the provisions of this act; and if a majority of the voters of said city and town shall vote to accept any proposition of the bondholders, such acceptance shall not bind said city and town, nor either of them, to pay nor be con-

No liability against city or town to exist, unless each vote to accept proposition.

City and town only liable to pay such proportion of the bonds as they may agree to.

strued into an admission on their part of any liability to pay any part of said bonds, except in the manner and proportions named in the proposition so accepted by said city and town.

SECTION 10. A tax upon all taxable property of the city of Ripon shall be levied and collected in each year, sufficient to pay the annual interest upon all bonds issued by said city in pursuance of this act, and to pay the principal when it shall fall due, and the common council of said city of Ripon, in any year before the maturity of the principal in said bonds, may, by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members thereof, raise an additional sum, in order to redeem any part of the outstanding bonds before they shall fall due, upon such terms as may be agreed upon between the holders of such bonds and the common council; which sums for the payment of interest and principal, and for redeemed [redeeming] any part of said bonds before due, shall be levied, collected and enforced in the same manner as other general city taxes of said city are levied, collected and enforced by law.

Tax on city for annual interest on bonds, and principal when due.

How levied, &c.

SECTION 11. A tax upon all the taxable property of said town of Ripon shall be levied and collected in each year, sufficient to pay the annual interest upon all bonds issued by said town, in pursuance of this act, and to pay the principal when it shall fall due; and said town of Ripon, at any annual meeting in said town, in any year before the maturity of said bonds, may, by a vote of a majority of the legal voters of said town present and voting thereon, raise any additional sum in order to redeem any part of the outstanding bonds before they shall fall due, upon such terms as may be agreed upon between the holders of such bonds and the board of supervisors of said town; which sums for the payment of interest and principal and for redeemed [redeeming] any part of said bonds before due, shall be levied, collected and enforced in the same manner as other general taxes of said town are levied, collected and enforced by law.

Tax on town for annual interest on bonds, and principal when due.

How levied, &c.

SECTION 12. The city and town of Ripon shall be severally liable in law faithfully, promptly and at maturity, to pay and discharge the principal and interest due upon every such bond issued by them, respectively, in accordance with the provisions of this act; and the separate faith of said city and said town shall, by the issue of such bonds, be irrevocably and inviolably pledged to the prompt discharge of every such liability.

Faith of city and town pledged to payment of bonds which they may issue.

SECTION 13. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 31, 1863.

CHAPTER 189.

[Published April 16, 1863.]

AN ACT to remit to the City bank of Kenosha, located at Kenosha, a certain sum of money therein named.

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

\$95,75 remitted.

SECTION 1. There is hereby remitted to the City bank of Kenosha, located at Kenosha, in the state of Wisconsin, the sum of ninety-five 75-100 dollars, being amount of bank tax paid by said bank upon sixty-five thousand dollars of its capital stock into the state treasury, since the 30th day of June, A. D. 1862.

Appropriation.

SECTION 2. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to pay to said bank, on demand, the said sum of money mentioned in section one of this act; and there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, an amount sufficient for such purpose.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 31, 1863.

CHAPTER 190.

[Published April 16, 1863.]

AN ACT to authorize the city council of the city of Green Bay to subscribe, in behalf of said city, eight thousand dollars to the capital stock of the Chicago and Northwestern railway company, and to issue bonds to pay for the same.

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

Council authorized to subscribe \$8,000.

SECTION 1. The council of the city of Green Bay are hereby authorized to subscribe, in the name and be-