

## CHAPTER 155.

[Published April 8, 1872.]

AN ACT to enable married women to transact business, make contracts, and sue and be sued, and to define the liabilities of husbands and wives.

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

Not liable.

SECTION 1. No marriage hereafter contracted shall render the husband liable for the payment of the wife's ante-nuptial debts.

Shall be her separate property.

SECTION 2. The individual earnings of a married woman except those accruing from labor performed for her husband or in his employ or payable by him shall be her separate property, and shall not be subject to her husband's control, nor liable for his debts.

May sue and be sued.

SECTION 3. Every married woman may sue in her own name, and shall have all the remedies of a single woman to recover the earnings secured to her by the next preceding section, and shall be liable to be sued as if she were single, for the recovery of her ante-nuptial debts, and in every case in which a judgment shall be recovered against a married woman for any cause, the collection thereof may be enforced by execution, or by any other process, action or proceeding allowed by law against judgment debtors, except an execution against her person.

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## CHAPTER 156.

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AN ACT to authorize the taking of lands for the use of charitable, educational and correctional institutions of this state.

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

May acquire title to lands.

SECTION 1. The state of Wisconsin shall have the power to take, acquire and hold the title to any and all