CHAPTER 162.

[Published April 3, 1872.]

AN ACT to amend chapter 130 of the general laws of 1871, entiiled "an act relating to the collection of taxes."

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

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Section 1. Chapter one hundred and thirty of the general laws of 1871 is hereby amended by adding to section one of that act, the words, "and provided further, that all bids shall be written and sealed, and accompanied by good and sufficient bonds, to the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) that the work will be

performed."

Amended.

Section two of said act of 1871 is also Section 2. amended by adding thereto, "and any clerk or treasurer who shall keep back and not report any delinquent lands, for the purpose of evading this law, shall be liable for the full penalty of said act."

Section 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 25, 1872.

CHAPTER 163.

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AN ACT conferring certain powers upon incorporated villages.

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

May provide protection from fires.

Section 1. The president and trustees of any village heretofore incorporated, or of any village hereafter incorporated, may provide suitable protection from fires by the purchase of fire engines or the erection of pumps, water-mains, reservoirs or other waterworks, and may contract for the erection or construction of the same, and may issue the bonds of such village corporation for the the payment of said fire engines, pumps, water-mains, reservoirs or other works, and provide for the payment of said bonds, with the interest thereon, by the levy and collection of taxes therefor: provided, that the amount of indebtedness incurred for such purposes shall not exceed in amount five per cent. of the assessed valuation of such incorporated village; and that no such indebtedness shall be incurred or bonds issued until a proposition for incurring such indebtedness has been submitted to a vote of the people of such incorporated village, and approved by them.

This act shall take effect and be in force

from and after its passage and publication. Approved March 25, 1872.

CHAPTER 164.

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AN ACT to amend section one, chapter 75, general laws of 1866, entitled an act to amend section 68, chapter 10 of the revised statutes, entitled "state superintendent," and to add a new section to said chapter 75 of general laws of 1866.

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

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter seventy-five of Amended. the general laws of 1866, entitled an act to amend section 68, chapter 10 of the revised statutes, entitled "state superintendent," is amended by adding to said section the following: "Unless it shall appear to the section the following: "Unless it shall appear to the Shall make apportionment, satisfaction of the state superintendent before the ap the same as if portionment is actually made in such town, that such law had been complied with. district has maintained a public school therein by a qualified teacher, at least three months of the year, and has failed to maintain such school for the length of time required by law, only by reason of some unusual and unlooked for cause, which has prevented the keeping up of said school, there being no intent upon the part of such district to avoid maintaining a public school therein the prescribed length of time; if the