

CHAPTER 168.

[Published March 9, 1875.]

AN ACT to authorize municipal corporations to aid in the construction of railroads.

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

SECTION 1. Any county, town, incorporated city or village in this state, is hereby authorized and empowered, and may aid in the construction of any railroad to be constructed to, through, or near to such county, town, incorporated city or village, as follows: The said corporation and the railroad company may agree upon the terms upon which such aid shall be granted in the same manner as is provided in chapter one hundred and eighty two, of the laws of 1872, and the acts amendatory thereof, except that it shall be provided in said agreement that said aid shall consist in a tax, not exceeding in amount five per centum of the valuation of the taxable property therein, as the same shall appear upon the last previous assessment roll or as fixed by the last previous board of state equalization, in case of a county proposing to grant such aid, and in case such agreement shall be made, an election shall be held as provided in said chapter one [hundred] and eighty-two, of the laws of 1872, and if a majority of the legal voters who shall vote at such election shall vote for the railroad proposition, a tax to the amount of aid so voted shall be entered upon the next assessment roll for such county, town, city, or village, in a separate column, and the same shall be collected in all respects as the other taxes, but shall be kept separate, and the money collected shall be paid over to such railroad company; and in case such railroad tax levied and assessed upon any piece or parcel of land shall not be paid, but such land shall be sold for the non payment of taxes thereon, including the tax for railroad aid. The said company shall have the right to purchase at the tax sale, any such lands which shall be sold for the non-payment of taxes, including the tax for railroad aid, and have the price bid therefor applied on payment of the aid so voted, and in case any land shall be bid in by the county which was sold for non-payment of said rail-

Counties, towns, cities and villages empowered to aid in construction of railroad.

Terms to be agreed upon.

Aid not to exceed 5 per cent. of taxable property.

Proposition to be submitted to voters.

Collection of tax.

Intent and
meaning of act.

road aid-tax, including other taxes, said company shall have the right to select and have endorsed and transferred to them a sufficient amount of such certificates of sale to make up the amount of aid so voted. It being the intent and meaning of this act that such company shall be entitled to the proceeds of such tax voted and assessed as aforesaid, whether in money collected or certificates of sale to the amount of the aid so voted; but the same shall in no event be on indebtedness on the part of such county, town, city, or village so voting aid, and nothing herein contained shall be taken or deemed to create any liability on the part of such county, town, city, or village to such company. Nothing herein shall repeal or in any way affect said chapter one hundred and eighty-two, of the laws of 1872, or any act amendatory thereof.

No liability
to be created.

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

Approved March 3, 1875.

CHAPTER 169.

[Published March 10, 1875.]

AN ACT to authorize J. M. Rounds and company to maintain a dam on Little Wolf river, in Waupaca county.

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

Authority to
maintain dam.

SECTION 1. J. M. Rounds and company, their heirs and assigns, are hereby authorized to maintain and keep up a dam across Little Wolf river at a point on the north-west quarter of the south-west quarter, section fifteen (15), in township twenty-three (23), north of range thirteen (13) east in Waupaca county: *Provided*, such dam shall not raise the water to exceed sixteen feet.

Incorporator
shall build suit-
able slides.

SECTION 2. The aforesaid persons, their heirs and assigns, shall build suitable slides in said dam for running logs, timber and lumber over the same, and shall keep the same in repair. The same shall be kept open at all times when the river is in a driving stage and there are logs, timber or lumber to run over said dam, and when it is not necessary to hold