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CHAPTER 130.

AN ACT to legalize the acts of the Waukesha County Agricultural Society.

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

Acts legalized. SECTION 1. All certificates of membership issued by the Waukesha County Agricultural Society since the eighth day of January, A. D. 1873, and now outstanding, are hereby declared legal and valid in the hands of their holders; and each of said certificates, and every certificate of membership hereafter issued by said society, shall represent and be deemed a certificate of one share in all the real and personal property of said society, and may be assigned and transfessed pursuant to the provisions of chapter forty-five of the general laws of 1871, and the act or acts amendatory thereof.

Who entitled to vote.

SECTION 2. No member of said society shall be entitled to cast any additional vote or votes in any case on account of the number of shares in excess of one share that may be held by such member.

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

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CHAPTER 131.

AN ACT to provide for the protection of game in the county of Burnett.

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

When unlawful to kill game.

SECTION 1. Nor person shall catch, kill or otherwise destroy or have in his possession, or expose for sale, any deer or fawn, grouse, prairie hen or prairie chicken, woodcock or partridge in the county of Burnett, except between the 15th day of October and the succeeding 1st day of November in each year, under a penalty of twenty dollars for each deer or fawn, and ten dollars for each grouse, prairie hen or prairie

chicken, [or] woodcock, caught, killed or otherwise destroyed, or held in possession or exposed for sale.

SECTION 2. All penalties imposed by the provisions of this act may be recovered with costs of action by any person or persons, in his or their own names, or in the name of the state of Wisconsin, before any justice of the peace in any town, or police justice of any city, in the county where the said offense was committed, or where the defendant may reside or be found; and any such justice of the peace or police justice is authorized, upon receiving sufficient security for the costs on the part of the complainant, or otherwise in his discretion, and satisfactory proof by affidavit of the violation of any of the provisions of this act, by any person whomsoever, to issue his warrant in the form of a criminal warrant, and to have such offender brought immediately before him to answer the charge against him, or committed or held to bail to such charge, and any such justice of the peace or police justice within said county named in the first section of this act, may,

How and by whom penalties for violation may be obtained.

upon proof of probable cause to believe that any person within said county conceals any deer, game birds or bird, mentioned in this act, during any of the prohibited periods, any such deer, game birds, or birds caught, killed or otherwise destroyed, held or possessed, in violation of any of the provisions of this act, issue his search warrant and cause search to be made in any house, boat, car, or other building, and for that end may cause any apartment, chest, box or locker to be broken open and the contents examined.

SECTION 3. The affidavit made by the complainant shall be deemed the complaint in all actions instituted under the provisions of this act, and it shall not be necessary to state therein the number of such game birds, concerning which the defendant is charged.

Form of complaint.

SECTION 4. Any penalties, when collected, shall be paid into the court, and shall thereupon be paid by such court, before such conviction shall be had, to the credit of the school fund of said county, and on the nonpayment of the penalty and costs of the prosecution or any part thereof, at the time of conviction, the defendant shall forthwith be committed to the common jail of such county for the period of not less than ten days, when the judgment therefor, aside from the costs, exceeds not the sum of fifty dollars, and at the rate of one day for each ten dollars, in which said judgment, aside from costs, exceeds in amount the sum of fifty dollars.

How penalties to be paid.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 132.

AN ACT relating to the trial of certain criminal cases.

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

Authority of court to exclude bystanders in certain cases.

SECTION 1. On the preliminary examination of every person charged with the offense of rape, assault with intent to commit rape, seduction, adultery, bastardy, or any other offense against chastity, morality or decency, it shall be in the discretion of the court to exclude from the place of trial all bystanders and other persons not officers of the court or otherwise required to be in attendance.

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

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CHAPTER 133.

AN ACT concerning the acknowledgement of certain deeds.

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

What to be considered proper acknowledgement of deeds and other instruments executed in another state.

SECTION 1. All deeds, mortgages or other instruments in writing, relating to real estate situated within this state and which shall have been of record in the office of any register of deeds before this act shall take effect, purporting to have been acknowledged or proved without this state, and having upon them substantially the ordinary form of certificate of acknowledgement or proof, purporting to have been signed by some officer in another state or county, shall be deemed *prima facie* in all legal proceedings to have been ac-