

[No. 329, A.]

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## CHAPTER 265.

AN ACT to amend section 2172 of chapter 98 of the revised statutes, entitled "estates in dower and by the curtesy.

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

Estates in dower and by the curtesy.

SECTION 1. Section 2172 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word homestead in the ninth line thereof, the words, "as if he had died intestate, leaving lawful issue," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 2172. When a widow shall be entitled to an election under either of the last two preceding sections, she shall be deemed to have elected to take such jointure, devise or other provision, unless within one year after the death of her husband, she file in the court having jurisdiction of the settlement of his estate, notice in writing that she elects to take the provisions made for her by law, instead of such jointure, devise or other provision; and upon filing such notice she shall be entitled to the same dower in his lands, and the same right to the homestead as if he had died intestate leaving lawful issue, and the same share of his personal estate as if he had died intstate; provided, that when he shall have died testate, the share of personal estate which she may so take, shall not exceed the one-third part of his net personal estate, and the provisions of this and the two next preceding sections shall not apply to any case where the husband shall die intestate, leaving no issue.

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

Approved March 29, 1882.

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## CHAPTER 266.

AN ACT in relation to railroads.

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

Relating to railroads.

SECTION 1. Section 1858 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes entitled "of railroads," is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1858. Any railroad corporation upon which any lands granted to this state shall have been conferred to aid in the construction of any railroad may sell, assign, and transfer the