be the owner in severalty of such proportion of the entire amount of the property, claims and demands then belonging to the town of Merrill, as is provided in and by section 140 of this act, except, when special provision as to such ownership is made by this act. And the said city of Merrill may, as soon as organized, or at any time thereafter, present a claim in the usual form, verified by its mayor or clerk, to the county board of supervisors of Lincoln county, for its proportion of any indebtedness that may upon any account be due, or claimed as due, from said county to the town of Merrill, and such claim shall be audited by said board of county supervisors as other claims, and shall be subject to appeal as other claims presented against counties.

Section 156. This act shall be considered a public act, and shall be construed favorably in all

courts and places.

SECTION 157. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 7.

AN ACT changing the time of holding charter elections in the city of Grand Rapids.

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

Amendment.

SECTION 1. The city of Grand Rapids shall hereafter hold its charter elections annually, on the day fixed by law for holding town meetings. So much of section 2, of chapter 111, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 247, of private and local laws of 1869, entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids,'" as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby re-

pealed.

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

Approved February 21, 1883.