have notice of all subsequent proceedings before such magistrate, in the matters mentioned in said notice, to the rendition of a verdict assessing damages, and to be bound thereby. When the jury have agreed upon their verdict or verdicts, the magistrate may orally adjourn the proceedings to such time as may be necessary to reduce the same to form, and to a time when they shall appear before him and sign the same.

SECTION 2. This amendment shall be held to apply to all proceedings which have been heretofore or shall be hereafter instituted under the provisions of the said chapter five (5), and to any such proceedings, which are now so pending.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication. Approved January 27, 1885.

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# CHAPTER 2.

AN ACT to amend section 2, of chapter 5, of the general laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to incorporate the city of Merrill."

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

Ward boundaries amended.

SECTION 1. Section 2, of chapter 5, of the general laws of 1883, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 2. The city of Merrill shall be divided into seven wards as follows: All that part of the northwest quarter of section 18, lying north of the Wisconsin River, and the west half of section 7, all in township number 31 north, of range number 7 east, and the east half of the east half of section 12 in township number 31 north, of range number 6 east and blocks 3, 4, 5, 6, 11 and 12, of G. L. Parks', Thos. P. Matthews, John Phelps and Thos. B. Scott's addition to Merrill; and blocks 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 of G. L. Parks' addition to Merrill shall constitute and be known as the first ward. The west half of the northeast quarter of section 12, in township number 31 north, of range number 6 east, and blocks, 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 and 8 of G. L. Parks' addition to Merrill, and blocks 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of G. L. Parks', Thos. P. Matthews, John Phelps and Thos. B. Scott's addition to Merrill; all of lot number 4 of section 12, township number 31 north, of range number 6 east, south of said last mentioned addition; blocks 2, 3, 4, 5 and 9, of Scott's and Parks' addition to Merrill; blocks 1, 10, 13, 14, 15 and 16 of the original plat of Jenny; all of the northwest quarter of section number 18. township number 31 north, of range number 7 east, south of the north bank of the Wisconsin river; the north half of section 18, township number 31 north, of range number 6 east, and lot number 1 of section 12, township number 31 north, of range number 6 east, shall constitute and be known as the second ward; the northeast quarter of section 14, the south half of the southeast quarter of section 11, lot 2, section 12, all in township number 31 north, of range number 6 east, and blocks 13, 14, 15 and 16 of V. R. Willard's addition to Merrill; blocks 4, 5 and 11 of H. Streeter's addition; blocks 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12, of the original plat of Jenny, and all of lot 3, section 12, township number 31 north, of range number 6 east, lying south of said last mentioned addition shall constitute and be known as the third ward. All the remaining territory in said city lying north of the Wisconsin river and east of Prairie river, not hereinbefore described, shall constitute and be known as the seventh ward. The boundaries of the fourth ward shall be as follows: Beginning in the centerof the Wisconsin river where the west line of section 10, in township number 31 north, of range number 6 east, crosses the same; thence north to the north line of the city; thence east to the east bank of the Prairie river; thence southerly along the east bank of said river to the north line of lot 3, of section 11, township number 31 north, of range number 6 east; thence west on said line to the center of the Wisconsin river; thence up stream, following the center of said river to the place of beginning. All that part of the city of Merrill not heretofore described lying north and east of the main channel of the Wisconsin river, including the island known as "Howe Island," shall constitute and be known as the fifth ward.

All the balance of the territory in said city, not hereinbefore described, shall constitute and be known as the sixth ward. The common council shall at their first regular meeting after the passage of this act, designate a place where an election shall be held, and appoint three inspectors for holding said election on the second Tuesday of March next, for the seventh ward, as herein constituted.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication. Approved January 29, 1885.

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[No. 5, A.]

### [Published February 9, 1885.]

# CHAPTER 5.

AN ACT relating to the charter of the city of Neenah, and amendatory of chapter 184, of the laws of Wisconsin, of 1883.

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

City improvements, cost of which to be assessed against lots.

SECTION 1. Title 6, of chapter 184, of the laws of 1883, is hereby amended by inserting after section 96, of said title 6, a new section, to be denominated as "Section 96a," which shall read as follows: Section 96a. Sewers, drains or ditches may be made or dug, or repaired by the common council, at the cost, charge or expense, in whole or in part, as the council may determine, of the lots which may be deemed benefited thereby, and the common council shall apportion such costs, charges and expense among and on such lots, in such proportion, or amount, as said common council shall deem such lots benefited thereby, and such amounts shall be levied and assessed upon said lots as a special tax, and be inserted in the tax roll first made out thereafter, and collected as other special taxes are; said work may be done by the common council, or by men in its employ, or let out by contract to some third party.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication. Approved February 6, 1885.

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