

containing five thousand inhabitants or over, shall be opened at six o'clock in the morning, and shall be closed at seven o'clock in the evening of the same day. The polls of the elections held in other cities, and in towns and villages, on the Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November, shall be opened at nine o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as may be, and shall be closed at sundown; provided, that the common council of any city containing less than five thousand inhabitants or the town board of any town may, by resolution, adopted and published in some newspaper in such city or town, or in case there be no newspaper published in such city or town, then in some newspaper published in the county in which such city or town is located, at least ten days before election, fix an earlier hour for the opening of the polls in such city or town, not earlier than sunrise. The inspectors of election shall cause public proclamation to be made at the opening and closing of the polls.

Public proclamation of opening and closing to be made.

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

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## CHAPTER 58.

AN ACT to amend section 942, of Sanborn and Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to county, town, village or city bonds issued in aid of railroads.

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

SECTION 1. Section 942, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin for the year 1878,

is hereby amended by inserting therein after the word "rails" in the sixth line of said section, the following words, "or in exchange for or compromise of any such bonds previously issued for such purpose," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 942. Any county, town, village or city may, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, issue its negotiable corporate bonds for the purpose of paying for any authorized subscription to the stock or mortgage bonds, or both, issued by any corporation or company, organized for building any railroad, whether of broad, ordinary or narrow gauge, or made of iron, steel or wooden rails, or in exchange for or compromise of any such bonds previously issued for such purpose. Any city or village may also borrow money and issue its negotiable bonds for any of the following purposes, viz.: The purchase or erection of public buildings; the purchase of fire engines or any apparatus for the extinguishment of fires; the purchase or erection of pumps, water mains, reservoirs, or any other waterworks; the grading, macadamizing or paving of streets; the laying out, altering or widening thereof, or of public grounds or parks; the purchase or improvement of cemeteries, the construction of school buildings; or in exchange for or compromise of any bonds previously issued and outstanding; provided, that the principal of such new bonds shall not exceed the principal of the old bonds; or to accomplish any other purpose in the lawful power of such corporation.

City or village authorized to exchange or compromise for bonds previously issued.

Purposes or which city or village may borrow money.

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

Approved March 17, 1897.