available at all times, when the river is at a driving stage, or there are logs, timber or lumber to run over the said dam or dams. And said persons aforesaid shall have a right to and be entitled to erect and maintain above said dam, such piers, booms, and other improvements and appliances as may be necessary or convenient for storing, sorting, holding and retaining logs, timber, Said booms and piers shall be lumber and ties. erected, constructed, maintained and operated so as not to obstruct or delay the navigation and use of said river for log driving purposes.

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

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CHAPTER 262.

AN ACT to amend section 925-142a chapter 40a of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898 relating to city taxes.

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

SECTION 1. Strike out the words "three per power of cent." when they occur in said section, and insert taxes and the words "three and one-half per cent." so that amount of same. when said section is amended it shall read as follows: section 925-142a. The common council shall have power to levy annually such sum or sums of money as may be sufficient for the several purposes for which taxes are authorized to be levied and to apportion the same into such funds for city or ward purposes as they may provide by ordinance or resolution; provided, a tax levied

for any one year for municipal purposes, together with the tax required to be levied for state, county, county school and school district purposes, and for delinquent taxes for the preceding year, shall not exceed three and one-half per cent. of the assessed value of the real and personal property in the city in that year.

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

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CHAPTER 263.

AN ACT relating to the maintenance and care of the chronic insane in counties having a population of more than two hundred thousand and an asylum therefor.

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

Number of trustees, how powers and compensation

The trustees of any asylum for SECTION 1. appointed and the treatment and maintenance of the chronic insane of any county having a population of more than two hundred thousand, shall consist of five members, who shall be residents and electors of said county, and not members of the county board thereof. Two such members shall be appointed by the governor for terms of three and four years, respectively, from the first Tuesday of November in the year in which they are appointed, and three of them shall be elected by the county board for terms of one, two, and five years, respectively, from the time of their election. governor shall have power to fill by appointment all vacancies in the unexpired term of any trustee