kinds of machinery he or they may hereafter see fit to erect, and to sell or lease the right to use said water and the water power created by said dam, to any person or persons, whomsoever, provided that said dam shall be so constructed and maintained as not to obstruct or impede the running of logs or timber down said river and that a suitable log slide sufficient in width shall be maintained at the expense of the owner or owners of said dam, together with such piers and guide booms as may be necessary so as to pass all logs and timber down and over said log slide without delay, hindrance or waste. Said dam shall not be built to a height that will cause back flowage or a raise in the natural flow of water to extend over a mile above said dam.

Operations to be commenced in two years. SECTION 2. The provisions of section 1 of this act shall cease and be void unless operation shall have been commenced two years from its passage and publication.

Right to amend or repeal. SECTION 3. The right of the legislature to repeal or amend or extend this act is hereby reserved.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after its passage and publication.

Approved May 4, 1901.

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CHAPTER 293.

AN ACT to amend 1517 of the statutes of 1898, relating to the support of the poor by counties.

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

Powers of county board in support of poor. SECTION 1. Section 1517 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended by adding after the word "therein," which is the last word of said section, the following: and may also, by resolution adopted at its annual or special meeting, relieve and take care of at the expense of the county, all permanent poor persons who may be a charge upon any town in such county, and commit to the county poor

house of such county, pursuant to section 1513, so that said section 1517 when amended shall read as follows: Section 1517. The county board shall have the care of all poor persons in their county who have no legal settlement in the town, city or village where they may be, except as provided in section 1512, and shall see that they are properly relieved and taken care of at the expense of the county; they may make such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law, in relation to the support and maintenance of such persons and may also contract with the board of any town in their county to keep and maintain at the place where the poor supported by the county are kept, such poor person as may be a charge upon such town at a stipulated price, the amount of which shall be levied and collected in such town in the manner county taxes are levied and collected therein, and may also by resolution adopted at its annual or special meeting, relieve and take care of, at the expense of the county, all permanent poor persons who may be a charge upon any town in such county and commit to the poorhouse of such county, pursuant to section 1513.

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

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CHAPTER 294.

AN ACT to amend chapter 134 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, entitled "An act to authorize L. B. Ring, his heirs or assigns, to build and maintain a dam, in and across Black river, in Clark county."

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

Location of dam; fishways. SECTION 1. Chapter 134 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, is hereby amended by striking out the word "ten" where it occurs in the fourth line of section 1, of said act and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 1. L. B. Ring, his heirs or his assigns are