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## CHAPTER 213.

AN ACT to amend section 4445 of the statutes of 1893 relating to cruelty to animals.

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

Cruelty to animals. Section 1. Section 4445 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended by inserting between line 14 and 15 the following: "shall, in all cases where such cruelty results in the death of such animal or is occasioned by the administering of poison, be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not less than three months or by imprisonment in the state prison for a period of not to exceed two years or by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars, and in all other cases," and by adding at the end of said section the following: "or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court."

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

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## CHAPTER 214.

AN ACT to amend section 1038 of the statutes of 1898, relating to exemption from taxation.

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

Property exempt from taxation. Section 1. Subdivision 10 of section 1038 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended so as to read as follows: 10. So much of the debts due or to become due to any person as shall equal the amount of bona fide and unconditional debts by him owing. Stock in national or state

banks or other corporate stock shall not be considered debts due or to become due to any person within the meaning of this subdivision.

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

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## CHAPTER 215.

AN ACT amending section 925—25 of the statutes of 1898 as amended by chapter 60 of the laws of 1901, providing for a change in the method of choosing the city clerk in cities governed thereby.

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

Officers, how chosen; in fourth class cities. Section 1. Suction 925-25 of the statutes of 1898, as amended by section 2 of chapter 60 of the laws of 1901 is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 925-25. The mayor, treasurer, comptroller, assessor or assessors, aldermen, justices of the peace, one or more constables and supervisors shall be elected by the people. The other officers may be appointed by the mayor or elected by the council, as shall be determined by ordinance; provided, that in case any such officer, except policeman, shall be appointed by the mayor, such appointment, shall be subject to confirmation by In cities of the fourth class the clerk and any and all other officers, in addition to those hereinbefore specified, may be elected by the electors at the same time and in the same manner as other officers are elected, upon a petition asking therefor being filed in the office of the city clerk fifteen days prior to any regular municipal election, signed by a majority of the electors of such city who voted at the last general election then next preceding, as appears from the poll list. And it shall be the duty of the council and the proper officers of any city of the fourth class, to give notice of, call for and order the election at the next election and thereafter at each succeeding election, the