

married man of his homestead, exempt by law from execution, or any interest therein, legal or equitable, present or future, by deed or otherwise, without his wife's consent, evidenced by her act of joining in the deed, mortgage or other conveyance, shall be valid or of any effect whatever, *except a conveyance from husband to wife; but when a mistake is made in the description of land occupied as a homestead, the attempted conveyance shall be construed as an executory contract to convey said homestead by said husband and wife, and the description of said land may at any time be corrected as other conveyances are corrected, and shall bind said parties as fully as though it were correctly described.*

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

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CHAPTER 223.

AN ACT to create sections 4393a—1 to 4393a—7, inclusive, of the statutes, relating to the regulation of the manufacture and storage of gunpowder and black blasting powder, and providing a penalty.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes seven new sections to read: Section 4393a—1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to manufacture gunpowder or black blasting powder in any quantity whatsoever within the corporate limits of any city or village or within one hundred rods of any occupied dwelling house or any church, schoolhouse, town hall, depot, or other place in which people are accustomed to assemble.

Section 4393a—2. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation engaged in the manufacture of gunpowder or black blasting powder to store, or permit to be stored on the land or premises where gunpowder or black blasting powder is manufactured, any dynamite or explosive other than that manufactured at such gunpowder or black blasting powder manufacturing plant or within one mile of any plant where gunpowder or black blasting powder is manufactured.

Section 4393a—3. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation engaged in the manufacture of gunpowder or black blasting powder, to store or to keep in storage or permit to be stored or kept in storage, at any plant where gunpowder or black blasting powder is manufactured, more than one hun-

dred twenty-five thousand pounds of gunpowder or black blasting powder in any building or storage magazine at such plant; and all magazines or buildings where gunpowder or black blasting powder is kept in storage at such plant shall be located not less than one thousand feet from any building in which the manufacture, or any part of the manufacture of gunpowder or black blasting powder is carried on, and shall be effectually screened from all buildings where the manufacture, or any part of the manufacture, of gunpowder or black blasting powder is carried on, and from any occupied dwelling house or any church, schoolhouse, town hall, depot, or other place in which people are accustomed to assemble, except necessary openings for transportation facilities, by natural barricades or by an artificial barricade consisting of a mound or properly revetted wall of earth, of a minimum thickness of not less than three feet, of such height that any straight line drawn from the top of any side wall of the building in which the manufacture, or any part of the manufacture, of gunpowder or black blasting powder is carried on, to any part of the magazine or building to be protected will pass through such intervening natural or artificial barricade; and no magazine or building where gunpowder or black blasting powder is stored or kept in storage at any such manufacturing plant, shall be nearer to any other magazine or building where gunpowder or black blasting powder is stored or kept in storage, than five hundred feet; provided that whenever a magazine or building in which gunpowder or black blasting powder is stored or kept in storage, is effectually screened from any other magazine or building where gunpowder or black blasting powder is stored or kept in storage by a natural or artificial barricade as hereinbefore described and of such height that any straight line drawn from any part of the magazine or building to any part of the other magazine or building will pass through such intervening natural or artificial barricade, the distance that such magazine or building are by this section required to be located apart, may be reduced one-half, and not more than four magazines or buildings where gunpowder or black blasting powder is stored or kept in storage shall be located or maintained at any such gunpowder or black blasting powder manufacturing plant, or on the land or premises where the same is situated.

Section 4393a—4. No person, firm, or corporation shall store gunpowder or black blasting powder at any gunpowder or black blasting powder manufacturing plant, or on the land or premises where such plant is located within one-quarter of a mile of any occupied dwelling house, or any church, schoolhouse, town hall,

depot, or other place where people are accustomed to assemble.

Section 4393a—5. Every person, firm, or corporation engaged in the manufacture of gunpowder or black blasting powder, shall on the first day of each month make a written report in duplicate, showing the amount of gunpowder and black blasting powder on hand at the time of making such report, and also the greatest quantity of such explosives on hand at any time during the previous month, which report shall be verified by the oath of the owner or superintendent of such manufacturing plant, and shall file one copy thereof with the county clerk of the county where such plant is located and one copy with the clerk of the town in which such plant is located.

Section 4393a—6. 1. The chairman of the town board of supervisors shall be authorized to visit and inspect any gunpowder or black blasting powder manufacturing plant in his town once in each month for the purpose of inspecting all magazines or buildings where gunpowder or black blasting powder is stored or kept in storage to determine whether the provisions of this act relating to the quantity of explosives that may be lawfully stored, or kept in storage, the distance that such magazine or magazines shall be located from manufacturing buildings and from each other, as well as the provision relating to barricading, are being complied with.

2. It shall be the duty of every person, firm, or corporation, engaged in the manufacture of gunpowder or black blasting powder, to permit the chairman of the town board of supervisors to visit and inspect all magazines and buildings where such explosives are stored or kept in storage, and whenever it shall appear from such inspection, or otherwise, that the provisions of this act are not being complied with, or upon refusal to allow the chairman of such town board of supervisors to make the inspection herein provided, it shall be the duty of said chairman to report such violation or refusal to the district attorney of the county wherein such manufacturing plant is located.

Section 4393a—7. Every person, whether as principal or agent, and any official, superintendent, or manager of any corporation violating any of the provisions of this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than two hundred nor more than one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than two nor more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

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

Approved June 2, 1911.