

defend and be defended in all courts and places ; and for the purposes of its institution, may do all such acts as are performed by natural persons.

Objects of society.

SEC. 2. The object of the society shall be to collect, embody, arrange and preserve in authentic form, a library of books, pamphlets, maps, charts, manuscripts, papers, paintings, statuary, and other materials illustrative of the history of the state; to rescue from oblivion the memory of its early pioneers, and to obtain and preserve narratives of their exploits, perils, and hardy adventures; to exhibit faithfully the antiquities, and the past and present condition, and resources of Wisconsin; and may take proper steps to promote the study of history by lectures, and to diffuse and publish information relating to the description and history of the state.

Powers

SEC. 3. Said society may have and use, and at discretion change, a common seal; may ordain and enforce a constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations, and elect such officers as the constitution or by-laws may prescribe: *Provided*, Such constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations be not inconsistent with this act, or the law or constitution of this State, or of the United States.

Proviso.

May hold property.

SEC. 4. Said society may receive, hold, purchase and enjoy books, papers and other articles forming its library and collections to any extent, and may acquire and hold, and at pleasure alienate, any other personal and real estate, and may acquire the same by devise, or bequest, or otherwise, not exceeding ten thousand dollars in value, but all its funds shall ever be faithfully appropriated to promote the objects of this formation.

May re-organize.

SEC. 5. The incorporators, or a majority of them, with their associates shall meet upon the notice of the present recording secretary of the society, within thirty days after the passage of this act, and upon accepting the same may, if they or a majority of them deem proper, re-organize their present association in accordance with the provisions of this charter.

Approved March 4, 1853.

An Act to amend chapter sixteen, section sixty-six, of the Revised Statutes.

Chap. 18.

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

SECTION 1. Section sixty-six, of chapter sixteen, of the

revised statutes, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Whenever application shall be made by any free-holder whose land is excluded from the highway, to the supervisors of the town, to lay out a private road, the supervisors may lay out such road; and the damages thereof to any owner of the lands through which such road may be laid, shall in like manner be ascertained and determined, and in case of appeal, the like proceedings shall be had thereon, as is provided in this chapter, for the laying out and altering of public highways; except that the applicant for such private road shall, in all cases, pay the damages and costs, arising from the laying out of such road.

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

Approved, March 4, 1853.

An Act prescribing certain duties of Clerks of Circuit Courts, and for other purposes. Chap. 19.

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

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the clerk of the circuit court to keep an accurate list, in a book to be by him provided for that purpose, of all certificates by him issued to witnesses and jurors; stating in such record the number of each certificate, the date and amount thereof, and to whom issued; and to furnish at each annual session of the county board of supervisors, a certified transcript of such record during the year preceding such session; which transcript shall be entered in full upon the records of said board.

Approved, March 4, 1853.

An Act to provide for the payment of the Surveying of School Lands in the several Counties of this State. Chap. 20.

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

SECTION 1. There shall be allowed to the surveyors who were employed by the appraisers of the school lands in the counties of Sauk, Adams, Waushara, Waupacca, Compensation of surveyors