

Chap. 97.

AN ACT to authorize the Secretary of State to make the proper entries in the books of his office for a final settlement with the Hon. S. Park Coon, a late Attorney General of this State, on account of Canal Land Mortgages.

Published, May 2, 1854.

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

§ 1. The Secretary of State is hereby authorized and required to allow and credit to S. Park Coon, a late attorney general of this state, the amount paid by said Coon to the state treasurer, and the amount paid by him to Ephraim Mariner, Esq., on account of the collection of canal land mortgages that were placed in his hands as attorney general, in the year 1851; and to make the proper entries in the books of the office of secretary of state, to show such payments. Also, to credit the said Coon in the books of said office for the mortgages returned by said Coon, uncollected.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved, April 3, 1854.

Chap. 98.

AN ACT to appropriate money for the Postage of the several State Officers.

Published, April 27, 1854.

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

Appropriation.

§ 1. There is hereby appropriated to the post master at Madison, out of any money not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twelve hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the postage of the office of gov-

ernor, secretary of state, state treasurer, state superintendent, bank comptroller, attorney general, and clerk of the supreme court, for the year 1854, to be drawn quarterly from the treasury, upon the presentation of the postage accounts properly certified to by their respective offices.

Approved, April 3, 1854.

Chap. 99.

AN ACT *for the protection of Logs and Lumber found floating on the Wisconsin River.*

Published, April 22, 1854.

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

§ 1. All logs, timber, shingles, and all kinds of lumber usually rafted and found floating on the Wisconsin river of this state, shall be subject to the provisions contained in this act. Property subject to the act.

§ 2. Any person or persons finding so floating and securing such logs, timber, shingles, or any kind of lumber as mentioned in the first section of this act, exceeding in value ten dollars, shall be entitled to demand and receive of the owner or owners thereof ten per cent. of the value thereof, as a compensation for their services in securing the same; the value thereof to be ascertained by the parties if they can agree upon the same, and in case of their disagreement the same to be ascertained by three disinterested persons, or a majority thereof, two of whom shall be selected by the parties interested, and the third by the persons so selected; and shall have a lien upon such floating lumber so secured by them to the amount specified in this section. Compensation for securing such property.

§ 3. Any person or persons finding and securing any logs, timber, or shingles, or any kind of lumber mentioned in the foregoing section of this act, shall immediately To advertise such property.