

## CHAPTER 172.

[Published April 2, 1863.]

AN ACT to provide for the reletting of the contract for public printing.

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

SECTION 1. The commissioners of public printing, as provided in chapter 315 of the laws of 1860, may relet the contract for public printing, from the date of the passage of this act until the 31st day of December, 1864, being the unexpired term of the contract with Messrs. Carpenter & Hyer, at such notice as they may deem proper for the public interest, without advertising for six weeks, as now provided by law.

Authority to relet contract.

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

Approved March 31, 1863.

## CHAPTER 173.

[Published April 16, 1863.]

AN ACT to amend an act entitled "an act changing the time of holding the terms of the circuit court of Chippewa, Eau Claire, Dunn and Pepin."

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

SECTION 1. The circuit court in the following named counties, shall be holden at the times hereinafter mentioned, to wit: In the county of Pepin, on the first Monday of March and the first Monday of September, in each year; in the county of Dunn, on the second Monday of March and the second Monday of September, in each year; in the county of Eau Claire, on the third Monday of March and the third Monday of September, in each year; in the county of Chippewa, on the fourth Monday of March and the fourth Monday of September, of each year.

Terms of court.

Pepin county.

Dunn.

Eau Claire.

Chippewa.

Return of writs,  
Ac.

SECTION 2. All writs, recognizances and other proceedings made returnable to the circuit court of any county above named, shall be considered and deemed to be returnable to the terms of such court as (*are*) fixed by this act; and all continuances and notices made as [or] taken to any term of the circuit court of any of said counties, shall be deemed to be made as [or] taken to the terms of such court, as the same are fixed by this act; and all motions and other proceedings noticed to be heard at any regular term of such court, shall be allowed and considered to be noticed for hearing at the regular terms of such court, as the same are fixed by this act.

Repeal.

SECTION 3. All acts and parts of acts conflicting with this act, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of May, 1863.

Approved March 31, 1863.

## CHAPTER 174.

[Published April 13, 1863.]

AN ACT to provide for an order of reference to take testimony, in certain cases.

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

Order may be  
granted by judge  
or court commis-  
sioner.

SECTION 1. In all actions now pending or hereafter commenced in the circuit courts of this state, if the defendant fail to answer the complaint, the plaintiff may apply to the judge of said court, a county judge or court commissioner, and obtain an order of reference to take the proof of the facts and circumstances mentioned in the complaint in such action, and report the same to the next or some subsequent term of said court; and such order and report shall have the same force and effect as an order made in open court.

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

Approved March 31, 1863.