

statutes, upon the conditions prescribed in the second section of this act.

SECTION 2. Every person applying for a copy of the revised statutes, shall file in the office of the secretary of state the certificate of the clerk of the board of supervisors of the county in which the person making the application resides, showing that such person is an officer of such county entitled by law to receive the session laws of the state, and a statement of the person making such application, giving the facts upon which he claims to be entitled to a copy of such statutes; and upon the receipt of the certificate and statement aforesaid, if the secretary of state is satisfied that the person applying has not been furnished with the revised statutes, or that from any cause other than gross negligence, the copy furnished such officer has been lost or destroyed, he shall be authorized to forward a copy in such manner as he shall deem best, but without cost to the state.

Certificates of clerk of county boards to be filed with secretary of state.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 6, 1866.

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## CHAPTER 53.

[Published April 12, 1866.]

AN ACT to define the certainty of descriptions of lands sold by public authority.

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

SECTION 1. In all advertisements, certificates, papers, or proceedings relating to the sale or forfeiture of school, swamp or university lands, or the assessment and collection of taxes, and proceedings founded thereon, as well heretofore as hereafter, any description of lands which shall indicate the land intended with ordinary and reasonable certainty, and which would be sufficient between grantor and grantee in an ordinary conveyance, shall be sufficient; nor shall any description of land according to the United States survey, be deemed insufficient by reason of the omission of the word "quarter,"

Descriptions which may be used.

or the figures or signs representing it, in connection with the words or initial letters indicating any legal subdivision of lands according to government survey.

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

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## CHAPTER 54.

[Published April 12, 1866.]

AN ACT to amend subdivision two of section seventeen of chapter one hundred twenty-two of the revised statutes, entitled "of the forms of civil actions, and parties thereto."

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

Appointment of  
guardians of non  
resident infants.

SECTION 1. Subdivision two of section seventeen of chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the revised statutes, is hereby amended, by adding thereto the following: "If such infant is not a resident of this state, and his residence be known, and that fact shall appear by affidavit to the satisfaction of the court, and it shall further appear that such infant has no general or testamentary guardian in this state, the court may grant an order that notice of an application for the appointment of a guardian for the infant, be served upon such infant, if over fourteen years of age, by mailing a copy of said notice and order to such infant, directed to him at his place of residence; if under fourteen years of age, by mailing a copy of such notice and order to the person with whom such infant resides. If the residence of the infant be unknown, the court may grant an order that service of said notice be made by publication thereof in a newspaper to be designated in such order, as most likely to give notice to such infant, and for such length of time as shall be deemed reasonable, not less than once a week for four weeks successively."

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

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