

CHAPTER 90.

[Published April 18, 1866.]

AN ACT to provide for the enlargement of the Wisconsin state hospital for the insane.

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

SECTION 1. The board of trustees for the Wisconsin state hospital for the insane, are hereby authorized and empowered to contract for the construction of a longitudinal and transverse wing, in connection with the east and west extremity of the wings already built on [the] east side of the main building of said hospital for the insane, corresponding in general dimensions and style of architecture with the longitudinal and transverse wings already erected in connection with said main building.

SECTION 2. The said board shall advertise for proposals for doing said work and furnishing materials for the same, in one or more contracts, as they shall deem advisable, for four consecutive weeks, in not less than three daily newspapers published at different places in the state, before any contract shall be let for the erection of said building. Such proposals shall be sealed up and directed to the secretary of the board, and shall be carefully preserved by him until the time designated for opening the same ; at which time he shall lay such sealed proposals before the board of trustees, or such committee as may be designated by said board, who shall proceed to open and carefully consider the same. After each of such proposals shall have been carefully examined and computed, the contract or contracts for which such proposal shall have been made, shall be let by the board of trustees to the lowest and best bidder, if such person or persons designated as the lowest or best bidder shall give a bond, made payable to the state of Wisconsin, in such sum and with such sureties as shall be approved by the board, which bond shall be conditioned for the prompt and faithful execution of said work, according to the terms to be specified in the contract. If the person or persons first designated shall fail to give the required bond, then the next lowest bidder shall be designated, and so on until said bond

Longitudinal and transverse wing.

Advertising for proposals.

Contract to be let to lowest bidder.

Bond.

When contract may be let to next lowest bidder.

shall have been obtained, or said board may in their discretion advertise for new proposals: *provided, however*, that said board shall not accept any bid which in their opinion shall involve a greater outlay of money than the amount appropriated by this act.

Work to be under direction of trustees.

SECTION 3. Said work shall be executed by and under the direction and control of the board of trustees, or such committee as they shall appoint, who shall provide for the completion of the same at the earliest period compatible with proper economy in building, and with the permanence and durability of the structure. The board are hereby authorized to employ a competent architect, if they deem it advisable, to be paid for his services out of the appropriation made by this act, in such manner as they shall provide.

Architect.

Duty of trustees.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of the said board of trustees to so construct the internal arrangements of said wings as, in conjunction with the present building, to afford accommodation for the reception and treatment of the largest practicable number of insane persons consistent with the welfare and proper treatment of such persons.

May delegate powers to executive committee.

SECTION 5. The board of trustees may delegate to their executive committee such powers and require of said committee the performance of such duties as are required of said board to carry out the provisions of this act, said committee being at all times subject to the control and direction of the board; and the said board of trustees shall set forth in its annual report the proceedings had and expenses incurred by virtue of this act.

Appropriation.

SECTION 6. The sum of ninety-eight thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the construction of the work authorized by this act, but not more than eighty-five per cent. shall be paid on the contract price of any work, until such work shall have been completed and accepted by the board. The secretary of state shall issue his warrant on the state treasurer for such portions of the sum hereby appropriated, to be drawn by the treasurer of the hospital, as the board of trustees by their order, or the order of the executive committee, shall from time to time require in the prosecution and payment of the work authorized by this act: *provided*, that no more than fifty thousand

85 per cent. only to be paid until work is completed.

But \$50,000 to be paid first year.

dollars shall be drawn from the treasury under this act, within the twelve months next ensuing the passage of this act.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 91.

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AN ACT to amend chapter 198 of the general laws of 1860, entitled "an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, entitled 'of the assessment and collection of taxes.'"

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

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter one hundred and ninety-eight of the general laws of (A. D.) 1860, is hereby amended, by adding to the end of said section the following words: "And if it shall appear on the trial, that while the town treasurer had the tax warrant in his hands, the defendant had sufficient personal property on his premises in said town, subject to the payment of such tax, and out of which said treasurer might at any time have levied and collected said tax, then the defendant shall be discharged."

When person summoned before justice for non-payment of taxes, to be discharged.

Approved April 11, 1866.

CHAPTER 92.

[Published April 21, 1866.]

AN ACT to amend chapter 124 of the revised statutes, entitled "of the manner of commencing civil actions."

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

SECTION 1. Whenever it shall be necessary to make the state a party defendant in any suit or proceeding

Suits in which the state is a party defendant.