

CHAPTER 172.

[Published March 9, 1875.]

AN ACT to amend section 45, of chapter 120, Revised Statutes of Wisconsin, entitled of courts held by justices of the peace.

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

SECTION 1. Section forty-five, of chapter 120, of the Revised Statutes of the state of Wisconsin, entitled of courts held by justices of the peace, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 45. At the hour named in any process issued by a justice of the peace, or at the adjourned hour such justice shall be present and have his office open for the transaction of business during all of such hours. Upon the return of process duly served, the justice shall call the case for trial at the hour or time specified in such process, but such justice shall wait one hour after the time specified in such process for the appearance of both parties, unless they soever [sooner] appear.

Amended.

Justice of peace to have office open at certain time.

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

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CHAPTER 173.

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AN ACT to define the liabilities of railroad companies in relation to damages sustained by their employes.

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

SECTION 1. Every railroad company operating any railroad or railway, the line of which shall be situated in whole or in part in this state, shall be liable for all damages sustained within this state by any employe, servant or agent of such company while in the line of his duty as such, and which shall have been caused by the carelessness or negligence of any

Railroad company liable for injury to employes.

other agent, employe or servant of such company, in the discharge of or for failing to discharge their proper duty as such; but this act shall not be construed so as to permit a recovery where the negligence of the person so claiming to recover materially contributed to the result complained of.

Not to be exempt by agreement.

SECTION 2. That no contract, receipt, rule or regulation between any employe and a railroad company shall exempt such corporation from the full liability imposed by this act.

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

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CHAPTER 174.

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AN ACT relating to the discipline of prisoners in the House of Correction of Milwaukee county.

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

Inspector to keep record of conduct of prisoners.

Certificate of good conduct to be given.

SECTION 1. It is hereby made the duty of the inspector of the House of Correction of Milwaukee county, to keep a true record of the conduct of each prisoner, specifying each infraction of the rules of discipline. At the end of each month said inspector shall give a certificate of good conduct to each prisoner who shall require it, against whom is recorded no infraction of the rules of discipline, and upon each said certificate the inspector may, at his discretion, diminish the term of any prisoner sentenced for a specific time, not more than five days. All such certificates shall remain on file in the office of said House of Correction, subject at any time to be annulled by the Governor for subsequent misconduct of the prisoner. This act shall apply only to such prisoners confined in said House of Correction as have been convicted of a misdemeanor or a felony.

Certificate to restore to citizenship.

SECTION 2. Any prisoner who, at the expiration of the term of his sentence, shall obtain a certificate from said inspector that during the term of his confinement such prisoner had maintained a good char-