

guards, it shall be liable to pay to the owner or occupant of such premises the sum of ten dollars for each and every train of cars, or for each locomotive, that may thereafter pass through such premises and over such road, to be recovered in an action of trespass against the railroad company so offending.

Penalty for further neglect.

SECTION 3. The notice mentioned in the foregoing section shall be signed by the person owning or occupying the land, and shall contain a description of the premises so owned or occupied, and may be served on the president, general manager, or superintendent of such road, or on any agent having charge of a station on such road, by leaving a copy thereof with any of said officers.

Notice to be in writing and served on certain officers.

SECTION 4. Upon the trial of any action arising under this act against such railroad company, it shall not be necessary for the plaintiff to prove ownership of the land, but the proof of possession of the premises shall be deemed sufficient to entitle him to sustain such action.

Not necessary to prove ownership of land.

SECTION 5. Every justice of the peace shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit court of the county wherein such action may arise against any railroad company not complying with the provisions of this act.

Justices of peace to have concurrent jurisdiction with circuit court.

SECTION 6. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Repeal of conflicting acts.

SECTION 7. This act shall be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 4, 1875.

## CHAPTER 249.

[Published March 15, 1875.]

AN ACT to provide for the letting of county printing for the county of Milwaukee.

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

SECTION 1. It is hereby made the duty of the county board of supervisors of the county of Milwaukee, on the first Monday of May of each year, to advertise for proposals for supplying said county with such

Board of supervisors to advertise for proposals for printing.

printed blanks and blank-books, with printed matter therein, and for printing all books and pamphlets required by said county during the ensuing year.

Advertisement to be inserted six days.

Contract to be awarded to lowest bidder.

Contractor to give bonds.

SECTION 2. Said advertisement shall be inserted in the official papers of said county for six successive days, and at the hour appointed in said advertisement, the proposals shall be publicly opened by said county board of supervisors, and the contract awarded to the lowest bidder.

SECTION 3. Any person to whom a contract shall be awarded under the provisions of this chapter shall give bonds in double the estimated amount of the work needed during the year.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 4, 1875.

## CHAPTER 250.

[Published March 15, 1875.]

AN ACT to provide for the free and unobstructed navigation of the west branch of the Kickapoo river between certain points therein designated.

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

West branch of Kickapoo river to be public highway.

SECTION 1. That the west branch of the Kickapoo river in all its meanderings between the north line of township twelve (12) north, range three (3) west in Vernon county, state of Wisconsin, and the junction of said west branch with the main Kickapoo river in said county, shall hereafter be held to be a public highway or thoroughfare, of free and unobstructed navigation, to all persons, for the purposes of rafting lumber and timber.

Unlawful to obstruct same.

SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, in any way or by any means whatever, to obstruct said west branch of said Kickapoo river, so as to hinder or obstruct the free navigation thereof as provided in the next preceding section of this act.

Penalty for violation.

SECTION 3. Any person or persons offending against the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be ad-