

thereof, in such penal sum and with such sureties as they may choose.

SECTION 5. The officers of this corporation shall be and constitute a board of trustees, in whom shall be vested the control and disposal of the funds, property and estate, and the direction and management of all the concerns of said corporation, under such directions as may be imposed by the rules and regulations thereof.

Board of trustees.

SECTION 6. The property, real and personal, of said corporation, shall be devoted solely to the purposes and objects of said association, and all the real and personal estate which may hereafter be lawfully conveyed by devise, gift, grant, purchase, or otherwise, to said association, shall descend, with improvements, in perpetual succession.

To what purposes property to be devoted.

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

Approved March 13, 1876.

CHAPTER 409.

[Published April 4, 1876.]

AN ACT to authorize the governor to appoint commissioners to investigate the claim of Nelson McNeal against the state, and to report to the next legislature.

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

SECTION 1. The governor is hereby authorized to appoint a commission, consisting of not less than three nor more than five members, whose duty it shall be to hear the proofs for and against the claim of Nelson McNeal against the State of Wisconsin, growing out of the construction, by said McNeal, of certain buildings for the hospital for the insane at Madison, and report to the next legislature the testimony taken, with their opinion thereon, as to whether, according to equity and good conscience, any sum should be allowed by the state to said McNeal, and if so, how much, the said report not to be considered as an award, binding, in any sense, on the state, but simply as a basis for the action of the legislature; *provided*, that it shall be the duty of the attorney-general, on

Appointment of commission to investigate claim.

behalf of the state, to attend all meetings of the board of commissioners so to be appointed, and to appear on behalf of the state at all examinations or other proceedings which may be had or take place before said board.

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

Approved March 11, 1876.

CHAPTER 410.

[Published April 4, 1876.]

AN ACT to authorize the judge of the Fifth judicial circuit to employ a short-hand reporter.

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

Appointment
of phonograph-
ic reporters.

SECTION 1. It shall be lawful for the judge of the circuit court for the Fifth judicial circuit of this state, to appoint one or more phonographic reporters for the circuit court in and for the counties of said district.

Qualification
and duties of
reporters.

SECTION 2. Said reporters shall be sworn officers of said court and skilled in the art of short-hand reporting, one of whom shall attend upon the term of said court when requested by the judge thereof so to do, and shall discharge such duties as the court thereof shall require.

Compensation
of reporters.

SECTION 3. The reporters shall be allowed such daily compensation as shall be fixed by the court, not exceeding seven dollars per day, for each day's actual attendance upon said court, when required by the judge thereof to attend, which shall be certified, audited and paid in like manner as is provided by law for the payment of the sheriff for attending upon the court; *provided*, but one such reporter shall be employed at the same time.

Duty of re-
porters to fur-
nish transcripts
of evidence,
and fees for
same.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of such reporter, upon the request of a party to any suit, or the attorney or attorneys of such party, the evidence on the trial of which shall have been taken by them to make and furnish transcripts of such evidence so taken by them, or any other proceedings had in such trial, to such party or his attorney, for which transcripts so