

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

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CHAPTER 184.

AN ACT in relation to lost commissions of officers in the military service.

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

SECTION 1. In all cases where satisfactory evidence shall be furnished to the governor by any officers of any Wisconsin regiment engaged in the late rebellion, that their commissions as such officers from the state of Wisconsin, have been destroyed without fault on their part, the governor is authorized to furnish such officer with another commission, which shall be a duplicate of the original as near as may be. ^{Duplicates.}

SECTION 2. Said duplicate commission shall bear the same date as such original commission.

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

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CHAPTER 185.

AN ACT to authorize the commissioners of public lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the town of Plover, in Portage county.

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

SECTION 1. To enable the town of Plover, in the county of Portage, to transfer its present bonded indebtedness to the trust funds of the state, the commissioners of the public lands are hereby authorized to negotiate, without expense to the state or the said funds, for the purchase of the outstanding bonds of said town, at the lowest price at which the same can be obtained : *provided*, the sum paid for the whole of said bonds shall not exceed the constitutional limit upon the power of said town to incur indebtedness. ^{Transfer of bonded indebtedness.}

Certificate of indebtedness.

SECTION 2. Before said purchase shall be consummated, said town shall, by its proper officers, execute to the commissioners its certificate of indebtedness for the same, necessary to effect such purchase; said certificate shall bear interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, and said interest and one-tenth of the principal sum shall be paid annually at such time and in such manner as said commissioners may require.

Rate of interest; repayment of principal.

Approval of voters may be required.

SECTION 3. The said commissioners may, in their discretion, require the application for such transfer of indebtedness to be approved by the vote of a majority of the voters of said town voting on the question at any annual town meeting. The application shall be accompanied by a statement in writing, verified by the oath of the chairman and town clerk of said town, stating the assessed valuation of the real property taxable in said town, as shown by the last assessment roll; the total amount of the bonded and all other indebtedness of said town, the number and denomination and date of issue of such bonds, and as far as known, by whom and where they are owned, and the purpose of their issue, and a copy of the record of all proceedings of said town, relating to the incurring of the indebtedness evidenced by such bonds.

Liability of town for debt.

SECTION 4. In case said commissioners shall be able to purchase said bonds, and all of them outstanding, at a sum which shall reduce the debt of said town within the constitutional limit, they may in their discretion do so, and receive therefor the certificate of indebtedness of said town executed as aforesaid for the amount paid therefor. All the taxable property of said town shall stand charged for the payment of the principal and interest thereof, and the boundaries of said town shall not be so altered as to exclude therefrom any land included therein at the time of issuing such certificate, until such sum as the same is issued for, and interest, shall be fully paid, without the consent of said commissioners and upon such terms as they shall prescribe; and there shall be annually levied upon the taxable property of such town, besides all other taxes, a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest and annual installments of principal of such indebtedness.

Amount due to be apportioned and paid with state tax.

SECTION 5. The secretary of state shall each year, until the whole loan be repaid, furnish to the county clerk of said county, the amount which will be due from such town, at the same time that he furnishes to that officer a statement of the state tax. It shall be the duty of the county clerk on receiving such state-

ment, to include the amount due from such town in his apportionment of the state taxes to the town, but it shall be carried out in a separate column, and the town clerk of said town shall charge such amount on his tax roll, and the tax shall be collected by the town treasurer and paid with the state tax to the county treasurer, who shall pay it over to the state treasurer with the state taxes.

SECTION 6. The provisions of section two hundred and sixty-four (264) of the revised statutes shall apply to any officer required to do any duty in relation to the levy and collection of such tax, and the provisions of section nine hundred and forty-four (944) of said statutes shall also apply to said town, so far as applicable or necessary to be applied. Levy and collection of tax.

SECTION 7. When said purchase shall have been consummated, and said certificate of indebtedness duly executed, received and accepted by said commissioners, they are hereby required to surrender said bonds to said town, first cancelling the same; said certificate of indebtedness shall be in such form as said commissioners shall prescribe. Surrender of bonds.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 4, 1879.

[No. 69, S.]

[Published March 17, 1879.]

CHAPTER 186.

AN ACT to revise and amend the charter of the city of Manitowoc.

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

SECTION 1. Chapters three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine and eleven of chapter two hundred and seventy-five of private and local laws of 1870, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc, are hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows: Amended and re-enacted.

CHAPTER III.

OFFICERS; THEIR ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT.

SECTION 1. The officers of said city shall be a mayor, three aldermen from each ward, a city treasurer, city clerk, city attorney, city assessor, city surveyor, Officers.