

provements, their successors or assigns to take possession of all logs or timber put into said stream, to be floated down and out of the same, the owner or agents of which shall not have made adequate provisions for driving, by furnishing all necessary tools, men, teams, equipments and provisions for breaking roll ways at the proper time and in making in due time a thorough drive of such logs or timber out of such stream or river without hindering the main drives, and to drive the same down and out of said stream so improved, and for such services, expenses and outlays, shall charge and receive for the same the actual costs incurred thereon and therefor.

SECTION 2. This act is intended to be confirmatory Confirmatory. of chapter 250 of the laws of 1874, and to confirm, ratify and vest in Frederick Davis, Lyman Burns, Daniel L. Libbey, J. M. Bray, R. McMillen, Myron H. McCord and Leander Choate, all rights, privileges and franchises acquired by them, their assignors or associates under and by virtue of said chapter 250 of the laws of 1874, reserving to the legislature the right to repeal or alter the provisions of this act, whenever in its judgment the public interest shall so demand.

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

Approved March 28, 1882.

[No. 243, A.]

[Published March 31, 1883.]

### CHAPTER 252.

AN ACT to authorize the construction of additions to the state capitol for the use of the Supreme Court and the State Historical Society.

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

SECTION 1. The governor, secretary of state, state treasurer and attorney general, together with such member of the State Historical Society as its executive committee shall select, and two persons to be selected by the judges of the Supreme court are hereby constituted a board of commissioners for the construction of two transverse wings to the state capitol building, one on the north and the other on the south side thereof. All above the first or principal floor of one of said wings shall be for the use of the State Historical Society, and of sufficient capacity for its present and future collections; and all above the first or principal floor of the other of said wings shall be set apart for

Building transverse wings of capitol.

the use of the Supreme Court and state library; provided, that said wings or extensions, when completed, shall be and remain under the control and supervision of the authorities, as now provided by law for the care, control and supervision of the state capitol.

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SECTION 2. Said wings or buildings shall be warmed by means of the present heating arrangement used for heating the state capitol, and shall be made as thoroughly fire proof as practicable.

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mittee.**

SECTION 3. Said board of commissioners shall procure suitable and proper plans, drawings and specifications for the construction of the buildings authorized by this act; and after the adoption of the same they shall advertise for twenty days in one newspaper published at Madison, one in Milwaukee and in one published in each of three other prominent cities in this state, for sealed proposals for the erection of said buildings hereby authorized, and the contract shall be let to the best responsible bidder or bidders for a sum of money not to exceed the balance of the amount herein appropriated for this purpose (after deducting a sufficient sum to pay for plans and specifications, superintending the work and all incidental expenses), and the successful bidder or bidders to whom the contract shall be awarded shall enter into an agreement or contract with said commissioners and give such security as shall be required by the commissioners to complete said buildings according to the plans and specifications, on or before the first day of January, A. D. 1884.

**May employ  
architect.**

SECTION 4. The commissioners are hereby authorized to employ an architect or superintendent to superintend the work on said building as it progresses, who shall receive such compensation for his services as the commissioners may determine.

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timates.**

SECTION 5. The architect or building superintendent shall, at the close of each month, make out estimates in detail of all materials furnished and labor performed during said month, duly certified to the board of commissioners, who, after having examined, approved and recorded the same in their record of proceedings, and after deducting fifteen per cent. of the total amount, to be retained until the completion of the contract, shall certify to the correctness of the same to the secretary of state, who shall thereupon draw his warrant on the state treasurer for payment out of the appropriation herein made. Upon the final completion of the contract to the satisfaction of said board of commissioners the said board shall in like manner certify

to the total amount due, including the retained percentage aforesaid.

SECTION 6. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, to be drawn under the provisions of this act during the year 1882, and the further sum of one hundred thousand dollars to be drawn as aforesaid during the year 1883, and as such work shall progress to completion, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purposes of this act. Appropriation.

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

Approved March 28, 1882.

[No. 305, A.]

[Published April 14, 1882.]

### CHAPTER 253.

AN ACT in relation to the discontinuance of certain highways.

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

SECTION 1. Any highway in this state which shall have been or may hereafter be entirely abandoned as a route of travel, and on which no highway tax has been expended for five years, shall be considered legally discontinued, and the land of said highway shall revert to the owners of the land through which the same passed. Discontinuance of certain highways.

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

Approved March 28, 1882.

[No. 409, A.]

[Published April 10, 1882.]

### CHAPTER 254.

AN ACT to amend section 1195 of the revised statutes of 1878, in relation to lands sold for the non-payment of taxes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1195 of the revised statutes of 1878 is hereby amended by adding to the end of said section the following words; provided, however, that no certificates shall be sold by the county treasurer, in cases where warrants have issued, unless the party applying to purchase the same shall pay all costs and Relating to non-payment of taxes.