

amination of witnesses before them in any matter or proceeding whatever, whether acting as referees or otherwise, and also to twelve cents per folio for all testimony so taken.

SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this, are hereby repealed.

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

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CHAPTER 303.

AN ACT to amend the charter of the City of Milwaukee.

(See Vol. 2.)

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CHAPTER 304.

AN ACT to amend chapter 375, laws of 1885, relating to fire escapes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, of chapter 375, of the laws of 1885, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1. Every inn, hotel, boarding-house, or tenement building in this state, more than two stories in height, and containing sleeping apartments, offices, theaters, or assembly halls above the ground floor, designed for occupancy by twenty-five or more persons, shall be provided with not less than two fire-proof stairs

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or ladders outside; said stairs or ladders to be located on different sides of said inn, hotel, boarding-house or tenement building, in each case connecting the cornice with the top of the first story of any such inn, hotel, boarding house or tenement building, with a platform, balcony, piazza or other safe and convenient resting place on a level with the floor of each story so connected. Such stairways or ladders herein named shall, in every case be convenient of access from the interior of any such building, commodious in construction and of sufficient strength and firmness to render the same amply safe and reliable for the purpose of ascent and descent in case of danger from fire. But this act shall not be construed so as to apply to private dwellings.

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

Approved April 8, 1889.

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CHAPTER 305.

AN ACT to authorize the superintendent of public property to purchase law books for use in the attorney-general's office.

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

Law books for
attorney general's
office.

SECTION 1. The superintendent of public property is hereby authorized to purchase not exceeding fifty volumes of law books, for use in the attorney-general's office, such books to be of a character specially adapted to use in that department, and to be selected by the attorney-general. The books so purchased to be properly stamped, and to be kept in said office for the use of the attorney-general and his successors. Said superintendent may also purchase enough back and missing numbers of the "American Criminal Law Magazine," "Federal Reporter," "Northwestern