

AN ACT to amend the act to incorporate the village of Southport.

Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Wisconsin.

§ 1. That the President and trustees of the village of Southport shall have the power to organize fire companies, hook and ladder companies; and to regulate their Government and the times and manner of their exercise; to provide the necessary apparatus for the extinguishment of fires, to require the owners of buildings to provide and keep suitable ladders and fire buckets which are hereby declared to be appurtenances to the real estate and exempt from seizure and distress or sale in any manner and if the owner refuses to procure suitable ladders or fire buckets after reasonable notice, the trustees may procure and deliver the same to him and in default of payment there for may bring an action of debt against said owner and be entitled to recover in such action the value of such ladders or fire buckets or both, with costs of suit; to direct the safe construction of buildings for the deposite of ashes, and severally to enter into or appoint one or more officers to enter into at reasonable times and examine all dwelling houses, lots, yards, enclosures and buildings of every description in order to discover whether any of them are in a dangerous condition and to cause such as may be dangerous to be put into a safe condition, to compel the owners of houses and buildings to have scuttles on the roofs of said houses and buildings; to regulate the manner of putting up stoves and stove pipes to prevent fires and the use of fire works and fire arms within the limits of said village; to compel the inhabitants of said village to aid in the extinguishment of fires and to pull, break down and raze such buildings in the vicinity of fire as shall be directed by the Trustees or any three of them who may be present at a fire for the purpose of preventing its communication to other buildings, and any building so destroyed shall be paid for by the corporation to construct and preserve reservoirs, pumps, wells and other waterworks and to regulate the use thereof and generally to establish such other measures of prudence for the prevention or extinguishment of fires as they shall deem proper. The members of any fire company in such village

May organize fire companies

To keep ladders.

Village may procure ladders, &c.

May sue for value.

Officers may examine buildings.

Scuttles.

Regulate stoves, fire arms, &c.

To pull down buildings.

How paid for.

Members ex- not exceeding twenty-five to each company shall be ex-
 empted from- empted from the performance of military duty except in
 military duty cases of invasion or insurrection and shall also be exempt-
 or as jurors. ed from serving as Jurors in Justices Courts.

APPROVED, January 26, 1844.

**AN ACT to authorize school district No. one in
 Dane County to lay an additional tax for building
 a School House.**

§ 1. *Be it enacted by the Council and House of Represent-
 atives of the Territory of Wisconsin.*

May levy tax
 not to exceed
 one per cent.

That it shall and may be lawful for the trustees of
 school district No. one in the county of Dane to levy an
 additional tax to the Tax now allowed by law not to ex-
 ceed one per cent on the assessment roll of said district
 for the purpose of erecting a school house in said district.

How collected

§ 2. The said tax shall be collected and returned in
 the same manner that is now provided by law for the col-
 lection of the tax for building school houses, *Provided,*
 that a majority of the legal voters in said school district
 who may be present at any school meeting of the district
 called by the Trustees of the district whose duty it shall
 be to give not less than ten days notice thereof in one of
 the newspapers printed in Madison stating the object to
 such meeting; shall vote in favor of levying the tax
 authorized by this act.

To be levied
 by a vote.

Notice how
 given.

APPROVED, January 27, 1844.

**AN ACT to amend certain acts relative to the
 counties of Dodge and Washington.**

*Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives
 of the Territory of Wisconsin :*

Part of act re-
 pealed.

§ 1. That so much of the acts approved February 19,
 1841, and April 10, 1843, in relation to the county com-
 missioners' courts of the counties (of the counties) of