

first session of the legislative assembly," approved on the fifteenth day of November, 1836, be and the same is hereby repealed.

P. H. ENGLE,  
*Speaker of the house of representatives.*  
 HENRY S. BAIRD,  
*President of the council.*  
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Approved Dec. 8, 1836.

No. 35.

AN ACT fixing the time for the annual meeting of the legislative assembly.

Annual session  
 of legislature,  
 when.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the council and house of representatives of the territory of Wisconsin,* That the legislative assembly shall commence its sessions annually on the first Monday of November in each year.

SECTION 2. This act to be in force from and after its passage.

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No. 36.

AN ACT to establish a university.

Wisconsin  
 university.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the council and house of representatives of the territory of Wisconsin,* That there shall be established at Belmont, in the county of Iowa, a university for the purpose of educating youth, the style, name, and title whereof, shall be "the Wisconsin university;" and the said university shall be under

the management, direction and government, of twenty-one trustees, of whom the governor of the territory for the time being shall always, by virtue of his office, be one ; and the said governor and Ebenezer Brigham, John B. Terry, Frederick Hollman, William S. Hamilton, William L. Madden, James R. Vineyard, John Atchison, Joseph B. Teas, Isaac Leffler, Peter Hill Engle, Thomas M'Knight, (of Dubuque,) Charles Dunn, James B. Dallam, Henry S. Baird, Albert G. Ellis, John W. Blackstone, Gilbert Knapp, William B. Sheldon and Arthur Inghram, and they, and all further trustees, shall continue in place during the pleasure of the legislature, and all vacancies which may occur shall, from time to time, be supplied by the legislature.

Trustees.

Term of office.

Vacancy.

SECTION 2. The said trustees, and their successors, shall forever hereafter be, and they are hereby established and declared to be a body politic and corporate, with perpetual succession, in deed and in law, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, by the name, style and title, of the "trustees of the Wisconsin university," by which name and title they and their successors shall be capable at law and in equity of suing and being sued, holding property, real, personal and mixed ; of buying and selling, and otherwise lawfully disposing of property, and shall have power to make and use a common seal, and to alter the same at their pleasure. Eleven of the said trustees shall be a quorum for the purpose of disposing of the property and fixing of compensations ; and any seven of said trustees shall be a quorum for all purposes.

Title, powers and duties of trustees.

Quorum, what.

SECTION 3. It shall and may be lawful for the said trustees, from time to time, to apply such part of their estate and funds in such manner as they may think most conducive to the promotion of literature, and the advancement of useful knowledge within this territory : *provided, always*, that when grants shall be made to them for certain uses and purposes therein expressed and declared, the same shall not be applied, either in whole or in part, to any other uses, without the consent of the grantor.

Funds, what, &amp;c., how applied.

SECTION 4. The said corporation shall appoint by ballot a treasurer and secretary, to continue in office during the pleasure of the corporation. The treasurer shall give bonds to the trustees, in such sum and with

A treasurer and secretary, qualification and duties.

such sureties for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, as the said corporation may direct, and shall keep fair and true accounts of all moneys by him received and paid out. The secretary shall keep a fair journal of the meetings and proceedings of the corporation, in which the yeas and nays on all questions shall be entered, if required by two-thirds of the trustees present; and to all the books and papers of the corporation every trustee shall always have access, and shall be permitted to take copies of them.

Power and  
privileges of  
trustees.

SECTION 5. The said trustees may, from time to time, establish such colleges, academies and schools, depending upon the said university, as they may think proper, and as the funds of the corporation will permit; and it shall be the duty of the said trustees to visit and inspect said colleges, academies and schools; to examine into the state and system of education and discipline therein, and to make a yearly report thereof to the legislature; to make such by-laws and ordinances not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or of this territory, as they may judge most expedient for the government of such schools, academies and colleges, or for the accomplishment of the trust hereby reposed in such trustees; to appoint a president, professors, instructors, and other officers; to fix their compensation, and to remove them when such trustees think proper, and also to confer such degrees as are usually conferred by universities established for the education of youth. It shall be lawful for the said trustees to elect a president of the university at any time, and without waiting until the state of the funds will allow the establishment of a college, and the president shall always be ex officio a member of the corporation.

Religious toler-  
ation.

SECTION 6. Persons of every religious denomination shall be capable of being elected trustees; nor shall any person as president, professor, instructor or pupil, be refused admittance for his conscientious persuasion in matters of religion, provided he shall demean himself in a proper manner, and conform to such rules as may be established.

Corporate prop-  
erty, how vest-  
ed.

SECTION 7. This law may be repealed or modified by the legislative power of this territory, provided that such power of repeal shall never extend to direct to any other purposes than those expressed therein, if

any shall be expressed in any grant of property to such corporation; but such property, in the event of the dissolution of such corporation, or in case such grant shall be disapproved of by the legislative power, shall revert to the grantor or his heirs.

SECTION 8. The first meeting of the trustees under this act, shall be held on the second Monday in May next; and they shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and to regulate their own meetings, and the notices that shall be given of such meeting; and if a quorum shall not attend at any meeting, the trustees present may adjourn from time to time, until a quorum shall attend. Meeting of directors, when and where.

SECTION 9. This act to be in full force from and after its passage.

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### No. 37.

AN ACT to provide for the construction of a bridge across Root river, at Racine.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the council and house of representatives of the territory of Wisconsin,* That B. F. Barker, M. M. Strong and Henry F. Cox, jr., or either of them, be and they are hereby authorized to build, or cause to be built, a free standing or floating bridge, across Root river, at Racine, for the use of the inhabitants of the town and county within which it may be situated, provided the expense of building said bridge shall be defrayed by voluntary contribution; and said bridge shall be declared a public nuisance, and removed by order of the district judge, whenever a sufficient cause shall be shown. Commissioners. Expenses, how paid. When nuisance.

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