

CHAPTER 265.

[Published April 11, 1862.]

AN ACT to amend chapter 263 of the general laws of 1860, entitled "an act to provide for the government of the Wisconsin state hospital for the insane, and for other purposes."

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

SECTION 1. Chapter two hundred and sixty-three of the general laws of 1860, entitled "an act to provide for the government of the Wisconsin state hospital for the insane, and for other purposes," is hereby amended by striking out section twelve of said act, and inserting the following, to stand as section 12: "Section 12. Before an insane person shall be admitted into the said hospital, such person shall be examined by two physicians of acknowledged skill and ability in the medical profession, residing in this state, who shall certify that, after careful examination of such person, he is [they are] fully satisfied that said person is insane; and the chairman of supervisors of the town, or the president or mayor of the village or city, in which such person resides, shall certify that such examination has been made, and shall forward such certificate, with the certificate of the examining physicians, to the superintendent of the hospital. The state shall not be liable for any expenses for examining patients and conveying them to the hospital, or for removing them from the hospital. But where a patient is in indigent circumstances, application may be made to the chairman of supervisors of the town, or to the president or mayor of the village or city in which such insane person may reside, and such chairman, president or mayor, as the case may be, shall appoint some suitable person to convey such patient to the hospital; and all expenses incurred in the examination and conveyance of such insane person to the said hospital, shall be paid by the county in which such person resides: *provided, however*, that if any person shall become insane when in another county in this state than that in which he resides, such person may be sent to said hospital from the town or city in which he may be when taken insane, in the same manner in which he could have been sent from

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for admission of
patients.

Indigent patients

Expenses to be
paid by county.

Removal of children of patients born in asylum.

the town or city in which his residence is located ; and all necessary expenses in examining and conveying such insane person to the hospital, shall be properly chargeable to the county in which such person resides ; *and provided, further,* that if any female patient shall give birth to a living child, while such female is an inmate of the said hospital, and if she has not been an inmate of the said hospital for more than nine months, such child shall be immediately removed from the hospital by the friends of the mother, or by the county in which the mother resided before being sent to the hospital. But if such child is not so removed immediately after the clerk of the board of supervisors has been notified by the superintendent to make such removal, the said superintendent shall cause suitable provision to be made for the care and comfort of such child, and shall charge all accruing expenses to the county in which the mother resided before being sent to the hospital.

Expenses may be charged to county.

And if any such county shall neglect to pay the expense of taking care of and supporting such child, the said superintendent shall annually include the amount due from such county for such purpose, in the report which he is required to make to the secretary of state, by section eight of this act, which shall be collected and paid out as therein provided : *provided,* that when an insane person is sent to said hospital from the county jail or poor house of any county, the sheriff of such county or superintendent of such poor house, as the case may be, may perform all the duties required to be performed by the chairman of supervisors or mayor of a city, when patients are sent to said hospital from such town or city."

When sheriff may perform duties of chairman, &c.

Expenses of removal from asylum.

SECTION 2. Add the following to section thirteen of the act to which this is amendatory : "*provided,* that the expense of removing from the hospital such indigent insane person, shall be paid from the county treasury ; and if the said chairman, mayor, president or any other person whose duty it was to remove an insane person from the hospital, when so notified by the superintendent, shall unreasonably neglect to remove such person, after notice as aforesaid, the said superintendent shall cause such person to be conveyed to and lodged in the county poor house of such county, or in the county jail, if there be no poor house in the county ; and all expense incurred for such removal of said

Superintendent may cause removal at expense of county.

person, shall be charged to the county by said superintendent, and included in his report to the secretary of state, and collected and paid over as provided in section eight of this act.”

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CHAPTER 266.

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AN ACT to authorize the purchase of steam boilers for the Wisconsin state hospital for the insane.

(See supplement to local laws.)

CHAPTER 267.

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AN ACT to exempt certain university lands from taxation.

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

SECTION 1. All real estate and each tract and parcel thereof, not to exceed ten thousand acres in the whole, and not to exceed two thousand acres in any one county at the same time, nor to exceed six hundred and forty acres in any one town at the same time, which has been or shall hereafter be conveyed in fee to the Lawrence university, of Wisconsin, for educational purposes, shall, while so held in fee simple by said university, expressly for educational purposes, and for the endowment of said university, be exempt from taxation for the period of five years from and after the time of the vesting of the fee of such lands in said university: *provided*, that the period of exemption on such lands as are now owned and held in fee by said university, for the purposes aforesaid, shall be construed to commence on the first day of April, 1862: *and provided, further*, that such lands, or any part thereof, shall

10,000 acres of land of Lawrence university exempted from taxation for five years.

Provisos.