

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

Approved March 9, 1864.

CHAPTER 119.

[Published March 11, 1864.]

AN ACT relating to and conferring civil jurisdiction upon the county court of Douglas county.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby conferred on the county court of Douglas county, jurisdiction in all civil actions, both as to matters of law and equity, equal to and commensurate with that of the circuit court of Douglas county, and the said county court shall exercise the same powers and jurisdiction in all civil actions, as are now exercised by the said circuit court: *provided*, that the value of property or the amount of money in controversy in any action in said county court, exclusive of costs, shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars.

Jurisdiction made equal to that of circuit court.

Amount in controversy limited.

SECTION 2. The general provisions of the statutes of Wisconsin, that may at any time be in force relative to the circuit courts of this state, shall relate also to the said county court, unless inapplicable thereto: *provided*, the jurisdiction be limited to the amount of money and value of property aforesaid; and the rules and practice prescribed by the supreme court for circuit courts, shall be the rules and practice for said county court, except as to the style of the court and other mere matters of form; but said county court may make additional rules for the practice in said court, not inconsistent with the said circuit court rules.

Statutes applicable.

Rules of practice

SECTION 3. The clerk of the circuit court shall perform the duties of the clerk of the county court, and shall receive the fees that are or may be prescribed by law for the clerk of the circuit court; and he shall, from the panel of jurors for said county of Douglas, in conjunction with the sheriff, under sheriff or deputy sheriff of said county, twenty days before each jury term of

Clerk.

Drawing of juror.

said court, draw from the list of jurors at such time liable to serve as jurors for the circuit court, a number of jurors for such term, not exceeding the number required by law for the circuit court, and not less than twenty-four, as may be ordered by said county judge, which said jurors so drawn, shall be summoned in like manner as jurors are summoned for the circuit court.

Terms of court.

SECTION 4. There shall be not less than two nor more than four jury terms of said county court annually, and such other terms for the trial of causes and transaction of business in said court, not requiring a jury, as the judge of said court may appoint, not exceeding two, all of said terms to be appointed by the written order of said judge within twenty days after this act shall take effect, and which shall not be changed except upon the publication in some newspaper of the county of Douglas of a notice of such change, for three months prior thereto. And if no paper be regularly published in said county, such notices or orders shall be posted up in three separate public places in said county, one of which shall be in the office of clerk of the county court of said county.

How appointed.

Change of venue.

SECTION 5. Whenever the place of trial of any action in said county court shall be changed on account of the jurisdiction of the judge thereof, or because he shall be interested or shall have been counsel therein, the place of trial shall be changed to the circuit court of said county, unless it shall appear that one of the said objections shall apply to the judge of said circuit court; and the removal of causes from said circuit court shall be made, under like restrictions, to the county court: *provided*, such last mentioned cause, so removed from the circuit court, shall be within the jurisdiction of said county court.

Proviso.

**Salary of judge
—when to be
fixed.**

SECTION 6. The salary of said county judge shall be fixed by the county board of supervisors of said county, at their annual meeting in the November immediately preceding the commencement of the term of office of said county judge, and shall be paid by the county of Douglas, and all fees in civil actions in said court, now provided for by law, shall be collected and paid into the county treasury, and said county shall provide all necessary books and stationery for the use of said county court: *provided*, that no part of this chapter, relating to salary or fees, shall apply to probate cases, or to the

Probate cases.

services of said judge while acting in probate matters.

SECTION 7. All appeals in civil actions from justices of the peace of the county of Douglas, shall be made to the county court. Appeals.

SECTION 8. All civil actions now pending in the circuit court of said county, and all judgments now docketed with the clerk of said circuit court, in conformity to chapter 67 of the general laws of 1863, in which the value of property or the amount of money in controversy shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars, are hereby transferred to said county court, and shall be deemed therein, the same as if originally brought in or appealed to said county court. Transfer of actions.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 120.

[Published March 28, 1864.]

AN ACT to amend section 1 of chapter 292 of the general laws of 1863, entitled "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 22 of the general laws of 1859, entitled 'an act relative to the sale of lands for unpaid taxes, and the conveyance and redemption thereof.'"

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

SECTION 1. Section twenty-one of chapter twenty-two of the general laws of 1859, as amended by section three of chapter fifty-three of the general laws of 1860, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows: "Section 21. Upon the redemption of any lands sold for taxes, by payment to the clerk of the board of supervisors, such clerk shall execute to the person so redeeming, a receipt, specifying therein the name of the purchaser, the land redeemed and the amount of the redemption money paid on each parcel, separately, and also, in distinct items, the whole amount of penalties and advertising fees on the parcels embraced therein, and his fees for said receipt; and such clerk shall also enter on the Certificate of redemption.

Duties of clerk and treasurer.