

their families, with the necessary conveniences of dining rooms, store rooms and kitchen, and also a chapel for the use of the patients, which shall be completed on or before January 1, 1873 : *provided*, the cost shall not exceed the sum hereinbefore appropriated for that purpose. They are hereby authorized and empowered to make the purchases and improvements hereinbefore provided for, their accounts to be audited and paid, and their reports to be made as provided in sections four and five of chapter thirty-nine of the general laws of 1871.

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

Approved March 22, 1872.

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## CHAPTER 89.

[Published April 5, 1873.]

AN ACT for locating and changing county seats.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever any county shall be organized for county purposes, or whenever two or more counties may be by law united and organized as one county, it shall be the duty of the board of supervisors of such county, at the first regular meeting of said board, to designate some point in said county for the county seat, and the point so designated shall be and remain the county seat until removed in the manner hereinafter provided. May designate county seat.

SECTION 2. Whenever one-third of the legal voters of any county (to be determined by the poll list of the last previous general election held in such county, the names of which voters shall each appear on some one of the poll lists of said election,) shall present to the board of supervisors, a petition signed by them, asking a change of the county seat to some other place, such place to be designated in such petition, it shall be the duty of such board to submit the question of removal Shall order election, upon petition of voters.

of the county seat to a vote of the qualified voters of the county in the manner herein provided. Such election shall be held only on the day of the general election for state and county officers, and shall be conducted and the votes canvassed, certified and recorded in the same manner as other votes at such election, and none but citizens entitled to vote at such general election shall be entitled to vote on the question of the change of county seat. At such election those voting for the change of the county seat shall deposit a ballot in a separate box to be provided for that purpose, containing the words, "for the change of the county seat," and those voting against such change shall deposit a ballot containing the words, "against the change of the county seat." If a majority of all the votes cast at such election, on that subject, shall be in favor of the proposed change, it shall be the duty of the chairman of the board of supervisors to certify the same with the attestation of the county clerk, to the governor, who shall thereupon issue his proclamation to that effect, and cause the same to be published in the official state paper; and from the date of such publication, the places so designated shall be the county seat of such county; but if a majority of such shall be against such removal, then it shall not be lawful for the board of supervisors to again submit the question of removal to the same point at any time within five years; four weeks' previous notice of such election shall be given by the county clerk, by publishing the same once a week for four weeks in all the newspapers published in such county; or if there be no newspaper published in such county, then a written or printed notice in two conspicuous places in each town in the county, at least four weeks previous to such election.

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

Approved March 22, 1872.

When election  
be held.

Form of ballot.

Shall certify  
vote to govern-  
or, who shall  
make proclama-  
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