

SECTION 5. That chapter 363 of the private and local laws of 1862, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 11, 1874.

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## CHAPTER 257.

[*Published March 25, 1874.*]

AN ACT to require general guardians of minors and others to render annual accounts, and amendatory of chapter 112, revised statutes.

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

SECTION 1. Subdivision three (3) of section eight (8) of chapter one hundred and twelve (112) of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "appointment," in the fourth line thereof, the words "and annually thereafter," so that said section eight of the revised statutes when amended will read as follows: Section 8. Before appointing any person guardian of a minor, the judge shall require of such person a bond to the minor with sufficient sureties to be approved by the judge and in such sum as he shall order, conditioned as follows: I. To make a true inventory of all the estate, real and personal, of his ward, that shall come to his possession or knowledge, and to return the same into the county court of the proper county within such time as the judge shall order. II. To dispose of and manage all such estate according to law and for the best interests of the ward, and faithfully to discharge his trust in relation thereto, and also in relation to the care, custody and education of the ward. III. To render an account on oath of the property, estate and moneys of the ward in his hands, and all proceeds or interest derived therefrom, and of the management and disposition of the same, within one year after his appointment, and annually thereafter, and at such other times as the proper court shall direct, and, IV. At the expiration of his trust, to settle his accounts with the judge of the county court, or with the ward if he be of full age, or his legal representatives, and to pay over and deliver all the estate, moneys and effects remaining in his

Guardian to give bond.

Conditions of bond.

hands or due from him on such settlement, to the person or persons who shall be lawfully entitled thereto.

To render annual accounts.

SECTION 2. The annual accounts of every general guardian shall be rendered under oath, and shall specify the amount of property received by him and remaining in his hands, or invested by him, and the manner and nature of such investment, and his receipts and expenditures in the form of debtor and creditor; and shall state at the end thereof the length of time each of his wards, if minors, had attended a public school during the year for which the account is rendered, and shall give the names of the sureties of the guardian, and their residences if they are living, and the time of the decease of any of them that have died whose deaths have not been previously reported, and their residences at the time of death.

Duty of county courts.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the county court of each county forthwith to order all guardians heretofore appointed by such court, or by wills proved therein, to render annual accounts, and the time for rendering the first account under said order shall be fixed by the court as required by the circumstances of the case.

Annual accounts, how examined and settled.

SECTION 4. At the next stated term of the county court after the filing of any guardian's account therein, the said account and its vouchers shall be examined by said court, and if said account is full and satisfactory it may be entered of record; but if it is not, it shall be examined on notice, and the court shall make such order thereon as justice may require.

When guardian may be removed.

SECTION 5. Every guardian who fails to render any account required of him for thirty days after the same should have been rendered, may be removed, and a new guardian appointed.

Duties of county judge.

SECTION 6. Every county judge shall annex copies of sections two, three, four and five of this act to all letters of guardianship granted by him, or cause the same to be printed thereon.

When minors may choose guardians.

SECTION 7. Any minors, males of the age of fifteen years or over, and females of the age of thirteen years or over, for whom the county court may have appointed guardians, who shall arrive or shall have arrived at the ages aforesaid respectively may severally choose a guardian or guardians such as the county judge of the county in which such minors shall reside, shall approve, and upon the choice of such guardian having been made by such minors approved by the county judge as aforesaid, and after such guardian so chosen shall have filed the bond required by the

county judge of the county in which such minor shall reside, it shall be the duty of the county judge by whom such former guardian shall have been appointed, to immediately cite such former guardian to appear and settle his accounts as such guardian according to law and pay over the balance remaining in his hands; *provided*, that notice shall be served personally upon the guardian so chosen by such minor at such time prior to the day appointed for such settlement as the county judge by his order shall designate.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from after its passage and publication.

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### CHAPTER 258.

[*Published March 24, 1874.*]

AN ACT to enable the city of Fort Howard to expend its proportion of the county highway tax on the county highways within the city limits.

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

SECTION 1. That all county highway tax now levied or that may hereafter be levied by the board of supervisors of Brown county on the taxable property of the city of Fort Howard shall be expended under the direction of the common council of said city, on the public highways within its corporate limits; *provided*, that such highways connect with the county highways leading into the town of Howard.

Highway tax,  
how expended.

SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts conflicting with section one of this act, are hereby repealed

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

Approved March 11, 1874.

### CHAPTER 259.

AN ACT to authorize Samuel L. Serene to keep and maintain a ferry on the Mississippi river.

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

SECTION 1. Samuel L. Serene, his heirs, executors, Authority to keep a ferry.