

the income of the normal school fund. Either of said counties may dispose of and convey such lands to any such railroad corporation upon its construction and equipment of a railroad through said county, and not before; and may contract to so convey said lands upon such construction and equipment being made: *provided further*, that no lands shall be granted or disposed of by virtue of this act, patented to the state after January 1, 1880. But no portion of this bill shall be construed so as to apply to any part of Langlade county.

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

Approved March 15, 1880.

[No. 46, S.]

[Published March 29, 1880.]

### CHAPTER 262.

AN ACT relating to the payment of fees upon settlement of estates of deceased persons in the county of Milwaukee, and amendatory of section two thousand four hundred and eighty-three of the revised statutes of 1878.

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

SECTION 1. The sums mentioned in section two thousand four hundred and eighty-three of the revised statutes of 1878, as payable to the county treasurer for the use of the county on settlement of estates shall be paid as well when the executor, being residuary legatee, gives bonds for the payment of all debts and legacies under the provisions of section three thousand eight hundred and twenty-one of the same statutes and returns no inventory, as when an inventory is returned, and such payment shall be made before the approval of any such bond; and where, in such case, no inventory is returned, the county judge shall ascertain the amount of the estate at the time of or before the approval of the bond tendered by any such executor being residuary legatee. The amount of the estate shall in such cases be ascertained by the county judge from an examination under oath of such residuary legatee, and such other evidence as the county judge may deem proper, which testimony and examination shall all be in and reduced to writing, and filed in court with the record of the case. And an inventory shall be made and filed, in all cases, unless the executor gives the bond provided for in section three thousand and seven hundred and ninety-five of the revised

The giving of bond and returning inventory, or the reverse, not to affect payment required to county treasurer.

statutes of 1878, whether the will dispenses with the giving of a bond or not.

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

Approved March 15, 1880.

[No. 181, S.]

[Published March 20, 1880.]

### CHAPTER 263.

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred and thirty-one of the laws of 1876, entitled an act to amend and re-enact as amended chapter three hundred and thirty-three of the laws of 1875, entitled an act to amend chapter sixteen of the private and local laws of 1872, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Eau Claire, so as to authorize the construction of water works by and for said city.

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

Establishing  
water-works.

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and thirty-one of the laws of 1876 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: And said city may by contract or ordinance, grant to any persons, company or corporation, the full right and privilege, and empower and authorize such persons, company or corporation, to build for themselves and own such water works, to maintain, operate and regulate the same; and in so doing to use the dam and other necessary works herein authorized, so as to supply the said city and the inhabitants thereof with water for such price, in such manner, and subject to such limitations as may be fixed in such contract or ordinance.

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

Approved March 15, 1880.

[No. 270, S.]

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### CHAPTER 264.

AN ACT to provide for a state tax for the year A. D. 1880.

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

Tax levy \$453,-  
000.

SECTION 1. There shall be and there is hereby directed to be levied upon the taxable property of the state a tax for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, of four hundred and fifty three thousand dollars, in addition to all other taxes and special charges authorized to be levied by existing laws.