

provided, however, that if it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of the justice that such property is likely to perish before the expiration of the time required by law for notice of such sale, the justice may by order direct that such sale may be made upon the giving of not less than one day's notice thereof in the same manner. The proceeds of such sale shall remain in the hands of the officer, subject to be disposed of as the property would have been if seized upon in specie.

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

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CHAPTER 118.

AN ACT relating to the organization of societies auxiliary to the state historical society and amendatory of chapter 24, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.

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

Auxiliary
state historical
societies
authorized.

SECTION 1. Chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto as follows: Section 376a. Local societies without capital stock may be organized under the general laws of this state for any purposes mentioned in section 376, and as auxiliaries to the state historical society, to gather and preserve incidents, experiences or biographies of the soldiers, sailors or citizens of this state, in any way relating to the war of the re-

bellion. No fees shall be charged by any register of deeds for recording, nor by the secretary of state for filing its articles of organization or any amendments thereto, nor for its certificate of incorporation. Section 376b. The commandery of Wisconsin, military order of the loyal legion; the department of Wisconsin, grand army of the republic; the department of Wisconsin, woman's relief corps; the department of Wisconsin, sons of veterans; the Wisconsin state organizations of the sons of the American revolution, and the daughters of the American revolution, and any local society heretofore organized for any of the purposes mentioned in section 376a, by a resolution duly passed and a verified copy thereof duly filed in the office of the secretary of the state historical society, may accept the provisions and be entitled to all the benefits of this act. Any such auxiliary society shall be a member and entitled to one vote in any general meeting of said state historical society. Section 376c. Any such auxiliary society may make a report of its work annually to said state historical society, which, or portions, or a synopsis thereof, may be included in the publications of said state historical society, and, upon application of any auxiliary society, the state historical society may become in behalf of the state the custodian of the records of such auxiliary society. Section 376d. The state historical society, for the purpose of establishing uniformity in organization and methods of work, may prepare and furnish uniform articles of organization and by-laws to any such auxiliary society, but such auxiliary may adopt, from time to time, such additional by-laws as it may desire. Section 376e. The state historical society may provide for annual or other meetings of officers or representatives of such auxiliary societies at times and places to be fixed by its secretary, or by such officers or representatives, and the proceedings of such meetings, or such portions thereof as its secretary may select, may be included in its published re-

Names of
state organizations
eligible.

May make a
report to
state historical
society.

Uniform articles of organization to be prepared.

State historical society to provide for annual meetings of officers.

ports. Each auxiliary society shall receive a copy of each of the publications of said state historical society.

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

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CHAPTER 119.

AN ACT to authorize the dismissal of pending suits and proceedings for want of prosecution.

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

Suits not brought to trial in five years to be dismissed.

SECTION 1. The circuit courts and the superior courts, in the various counties of this state are hereby authorized to dismiss, upon their own motion, or upon the motion of either party, and with or without notice, any and all actions or proceedings pending or hereafter commenced in said courts in which issues shall have been or shall be joined, which shall not be brought to trial within five years from and after the commencement of such action or proceeding; provided, that no action or proceeding now pending shall be dismissed under the provisions of this act until after six months from the passage and publication thereof.

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

Approved March 27, 1897.