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 by 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

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Approved March 27, 1897.