

No. 156, A.]

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CHAPTER 88.

AN ACT to amend section 2 of chapter 33 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, and the several acts amendatory thereof, to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin.

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

Jurisdiction of court; appellate jurisdiction; proceedings in equity. SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 301 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, is hereby amended by striking out the word "murder" where the same occurs in the sixth line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words "duelling and challenging to a duel," and by striking out the word "exclusive" where the same occurs in the eleventh line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the word "concurrent," and by inserting after the word "jurisdiction" where the same occurs in the twelfth line thereof, the words "with the circuit court," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 2. Said superior court shall have and may exercise powers and jurisdiction concurrent and equal with the circuit court of said Douglas county, in all cases of crimes and misdemeanors arising in said county, except duelling and challenging to a duel; and appellate jurisdiction of all crimes and misdemeanors, tried before the judge of the municipal court, or justices of the peace in said county, in the same manner as is now provided by law for appeals to the circuit court in such cases. Said superior court shall have concurrent appellate jurisdiction with the circuit court in all cases of appeal from the municipal and justices' courts in said county, in all civil actions, and in all actions commenced in said courts, where an answer shall be put in showing that the title of lands will come in question, all of which cases shall be certified and all official returns made to said superior court in the manner prescribed by law, and said court shall have and exercise powers and jurisdiction in all civil actions and proceedings in law and equity, and in all special proceedings, except as to actions and proceedings under chapter 151, of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898, concurrent with and equal to the jurisdiction of

the circuit court of Douglas county, when the value of the property in controversy or the amount of money claimed or sought to be recovered, after deducting all payments and set-offs, shall not exceed five million dollars, and of all actions for divorce and for affirmance or annulment of the marriage contract. The presiding judge thereof shall have and exercise the powers of a circuit judge at chambers as to all actions or proceedings in said superior court.

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

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CHAPTER 89.

AN ACT to detach certain territory from the town of Richmond, Shawano county, and to create the town of Wescott.

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

Town of Wescott defined. SECTION 1. All that portion of the town of Richmond, in the county of Shawano, in the state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: All of township number twenty-seven north, of range number fifteen east, located on the east side of Wolf river, except that part of sections twenty-five and thirty-six now included in the city limits of the city of Shawano and all of township number twenty-seven north, of range number sixteen east, except sections twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, thirty-five and thirty-six, of said township now attached to the town of Washington, are hereby set off and detached from the said town of Richmond, and are hereby created and constituted a separate town to be known and designated as the town of Wescott in said Shawano county.

Apportionment of assets and liabilities. SECTION 2. The assets and liabilities of the said existing town of Richmond to be apportioned to the said towns of Wescott and Richmond, shall bear the same ratio to the whole of said assets and liabilities of said existing town of Richmond, as the assessed valuation for the