

PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF ILLINOIS,

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONVENED JANUARY 5, 1863.

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1863.

AN ACT to enable Counties owing debts to liquidate the same.

In force February
16, 1868.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly,* That the county courts for county business in counties without township organization and the board of supervisors of counties under township organization, in such counties as may be owing debts which their current revenue, under existing laws, is not sufficient to pay, may, if deemed advisable, levy a special tax, not to exceed in any one year one per cent. upon the taxable property of any such county, to be assessed and collected in the same manner and at the same time and rate of compensation as other county taxes; and when collected to be kept as a separate fund, in the county treasury, and to be expended under the direction of the said county court or board of supervisors, as the case may be, in liquidation of such indebtedness.

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ness.

§ 2. This act shall be in force from and after its passage.
APPROVED, February 16, 1868.

AN ACT ratifying a certain amendment to the Constitution of the United States. In force June 2,
1868.

WHEREAS the people of the State of Illinois are devotedly and unchangeably attached to the Union of the States, as established in the constitution of the United States, and have shown that attachment by a respect for that constitution and all laws passed in pursuance thereof, and by every sacrifice of blood and treasure demanded of them; and whereas that Union cannot be preserved by mere force alone, but by restoring confidence between the people of the several States, through a faithful adherence on the part of all in authority and the people themselves to said constitution and laws, and by a cheerful purpose to amend that constitution, wherever necessary to afford a guaranty to the people of each and all of the States that their rights and privileges heretofore enjoyed shall be respected and enforced; and whereas two-thirds of both Houses of the Congress of the United States, in pursuance of the constitution of the United States, have deemed it necessary and proper, by joint resolution, approved March 2, A. D. 1861, to propose the following amendment to said constitution, to-wit:

ARTICLE XIII.

“No amendment shall be made to the constitution, which will authorize or give to Congress the power to abolish or

interfere within any State with the domestic institutions thereof, including that of persons held to labor or service by the laws of said State."

Therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That the foregoing amendment to the constitution of the United States be and the same is hereby ratified by the people of the State of Illinois and the Legislature thereof.

In force February 3, 1863. AN ACT to repeal an act entitled "An act regulating the custody and sale of personal property, under legal process, in the City of Chicago and the towns of South Chicago, West Chicago and North Chicago, in Cook county."

Act repealed. [SECTION 1.] *Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That the act entitled "An act regulating the custody and sale of personal property, under legal process, in the city of Chicago and the towns of South Chicago, West Chicago and North Chicago, in Cook county," approved February 22d, A. D. 1861, be and the same is hereby repealed.*

Acts revived. § 2. That all acts and parts of acts repealed by the act in the foregoing section mentioned be and the same are hereby revived.

Custodian to deliver property back. § 3. All property in the possession of the custodian for the city of Chicago, by virtue of the provisions of the act hereby repealed, shall be delivered to the officer from whom such property was received immediately upon the passage of this act.

Custodian not to be released from liability. § 4. Nothing in this act contained shall release the said custodian and his sureties from any liability which has accrued or may accrue to any person or persons for any breach or breaches of the bond provided for by the second section of the act hereby repealed.

§ 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

APPROVED February 3, 1863.