

of said act, be and is hereby repealed; and that the said commissioners or any of them shall meet and commence their duties on the third Monday of August next.

SECTION 2. That all the proceedings of said commissioners, or any three of them, shall be as valid and legal as if they or a majority of them had met and commenced their duties on the time required by the second section of the above recited act.

Approved June 23, 1838.

No. 24.

AN ACT to annul the marriage contract of Jonathan J. King and Abigail King, his wife.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the council and house of representatives of the territory of Wisconsin*, That the marriage contract entered into by and between Jonathan J. King of the city of Burlington and territory aforesaid, and Abigail King, his wife, be and the same is hereby annulled and made void, and the parties released and discharged from the said contract and from all duties and obligations arising therefrom, as fully and effectually and absolutely as if they never had been joined in marriage.

Approved June 23, 1838.

No. 25.

AN ACT to authorize Alexis Phelps and Stephen S. Phelps to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river opposite the town of Oquawka.

Privilege.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the council and house of representatives of the territory of Wisconsin*, That the exclusive right of keeping or causing to be kept a public ferry across the Mississippi river from the west side thereof and within the following described limits, to wit: beginning at a point on the west bank of said river opposite to the south west corner of the town of

Oquawka, and extending thence up said river for a distance of two miles in the county of Des Moines and territory of Wisconsin aforesaid, be and the same is hereby granted to Alexis Phelps and Stephen S. Phelps, their heirs and assigns for the term of twelve years from and after the passage of this act: *provided* ^{Proviso.} that said ferry shall be subject to the same regulations and restrictions as other ferries are or may be hereafter by law in this territory fixing the rates of tolls and prescribing the manner in which licensed ferries shall be kept.

SECTION 2. And it shall be the duty of the said ^{Conditions.} Alexis Phelps and Stephen S. Phelps to provide within one year from the passage of this act a good and sufficient steam or horse power boat for the transport of persons and property over said river at said place and keep the same in full operation at all practicable seasons of the year until the expiration of the privileges conferred by this act: *provided always,* ^{Proviso.} that if the said Alexis Phelps and Stephen S. Phelps shall fail at any one time for the space of one year to keep a public ferry at said place in successful operation according to and in compliance with the terms and conditions of this act, then and in that event they shall forfeit all rights and privileges accruing to them from this act.

Approved June 23, 1838.

No. 26.

AN ACT directing the annual session of the legislative assembly of Wisconsin to be held at Madison, in the county of Dane.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the council and house of representatives of the territory of Wisconsin,* That the second section of the act entitled an act to establish the seat of government, &c., and approved the 8d day of December, 1836, is hereby repealed, and the next annual session of the legislative assembly of Wisconsin territory shall be held at the town of Madison, in the county of Dane.

Approved June 23, 1838.