by giving notice in writing to that effect to the holder thereof.

Non-residents may insure. SECTION 14. Non-residents of any town in this state, owning property therein, may become members of any company founded under this act, and shall be entitled to all rights and privileges appertaining thereto, except that it shall not be lawful for such non-resident to become a director of said company, unless he be at the time of such membership, a resident of a town adjoining the town or towns in which said company has been formed under the provisions of this act.

SECTION 15. The company so formed may adopt such by-laws for its regulation as are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and may therein prescribe the compensation of its officers.

SECTION 16. No company formed under this act shall continue for a longer term than thirty years.

SECTION 17. This act shall apply to all companies heretofore organized in compliance with the provisions of chapter forty-six of the general laws of 1859, and the amendments thereto.

SECTION 18. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 19. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 23, 1872.

## CHAPTER 104.

[Published March 25, 1872.]

AN ACT to provide for the republication and stereotyping of certain volumes of the reports of the decisions of the supreme court.

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

shall republish SECTION 1. There shall be republished by the publishers of the Wisconsin reports, from time to time, under the direction and by the approval of the supreme court, all volumes of the reports of the decisions of said court, which shall be out of print, or so nearly so

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as to make the republication thereof, in the opinion of the court, advisable; and such republication shall be edited by such person learned in the law and resident of this state as shall be selected or approved by said court, and in such manner and with such reduction of the number of volumes, as said court shall by its order direct; the entire cost of such editing to be paid by cost, number-such publisher, and the numbers of the present vol- ing and paging. umes and pages to be preserved in such new edition; and the plates of all such volumes of reports, as shall shall be stereobe republished under this act shall be stereotyped, and typed-number and style. four hundred and twenty-five copies of such volumes thereof, the same to be of the same style and quality as to paper and binding, as volurie twenty-five (25) of Wisconsin reports, and to contain seven hundred and fifty pages, at least all the cases reported in the corresponding number in the original volumes, shall be delivered to the secretary of state; and upon furnishing Price per copy to the secretary of state such copies and satisfactory to be paid to proof of having stereotyped the plates of such volumes, the said publishers shall receive from the state the same price per copy as is now paid by the state for each copy of the current volumes of reports, to be audited by the secretary of state, and paid by the state treasurer, on the warrant of the secretary of state, out of any money not otherwise appropriated : provided, that before doing any work under this section, the said Shall execute publishers shall enter into a contract, to be approved contract. by the judges of the supreme court, and filed in the office of the secretary of state, slipulating that they will faithfully perform all the acts and conditions in this act required to be performed by them, and particularly will, at all times, keep for sale and sell to the state of Wisconsin and to residents of the state, copies of the volumes to be so republished, at the rate herein fixed.

SECTION 2. The said publishers shall sell said vol- Limitation of umes at a price not exceeding four dollars and fifty price. cents per copy to all residents of this state, and no greater price shall be demanded or received by them or their agents or assigns or either of them.

SECTION 3. There is hereby appropriated from the Appropriated. state treasury, a sufficient sum of money to pay for the books above mentioned payable proportionately upon the delivery of the copies of each volume.

May sell copies on hand.

SECTION 4. The secretary of state is authorized to sell to said publishers any copies of the volumes to be so republished, which the state may now have on hand, exceeding fifty of each volume, which he shall retain for the state. The price shall be four dollars and fifty cents per volume, and the said publishers shall include in the contract to be executed by them as aforesaid, a stipulation to sell the copies so purchased by them at the same rate.

Approved March 23, 1872.

## CHAPTER 105.

[Published March 26, 1872.]

AN ACT to define certain privileges and powers.

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

SECTION 1. No person, company, corporation or association, authorized or empowered to build, construct, maintain or keep dams, boom or booms, pier or piers, upon, in, along, across any river, creek, stream, slough, bayou or marsh in this state, shall be obliged or compelled to keep or maintain a passage for boats, vessels, barges, scows, rafts, cribs, logs, timber or other floating material in and through any bayou or outlet, (other than the main outlet) of any such river, creek or stream; or through any slough or marsh formed therefrom, or which may be adjacent thereto, or a part of such river or stream, or an expansion thereof: provided, a free passage is left or provided in the main channel, (that is to say, in the main river, creek or stream,) or channel which has been a usually followed route for boats, barges, rafts of lumber and logs, in any such river, stream or creek, for the free navigation of such river, creek or stream, with boats, barges, scows, vessels, rafts, cribs, logs, timber or other floating material. And if any such person, company, corporation or association shall have been required by any law or its acts of incorporation, to maintain, keep or provide, a passage

Not compelled to keep open passage.

Not to work forfeiture of rights.