

CHAPTER 132.

AN ACT to establish and maintain a ferry across the Mississippi river from Glen Haven, in Grant county.

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

Exclusive right to keep ferry. SECTION 1. Frank Coard, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, shall have the exclusive right and privilege, for the term of ten years, of keeping and maintaining a ferry across the Mississippi river, from the village of Glen Haven, in Grant county, or within two miles from the said village of Glen Haven, up and down said river.

Shall furnish good and sufficient boats. SECTION 2. The said Frank Coard, his associates or assigns, shall, within one year from the passage of this act, place and maintain at the aforesaid place, such good and sufficient boat or boats as may be necessary to carry across said river all teams, horses, cattle or other property, and for the accommodation of foot passengers, and shall, at all times, give ready and prompt attendance on passengers or teams, on all occasions, and at all hours of the day or night; but persons crossing the said ferry at night may be charged double the fare hereinafter prescribed.

May land boats on public highways. SECTION 3. The said Frank Coard may land his boat, passengers and property on any public highway, which now does, or may hereafter terminate within the points above specified, or on the lands of any person or persons owning the same, he having first procured the permission of such owner so to do.

Shall execute and file bond. SECTION 4. The said Frank Coard, his associates or assigns, shall, within one year from the passage of this act, file or cause to be filed with the clerk of the board of supervisors of the county of Grant, a bond to the said board with two or more sureties in the penal sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned that he will fulfill all the duties imposed upon him by this act, and in case of his failure so to do, he shall forfeit all the benefits that might accrue to him from its passage.

Forfeiture for lack of boats and attendance. SECTION 5. That for every neglect to keep a good and sufficient boat or boats, or failure to give prompt and due attendance upon all persons wishing to cross the said ferry, the aforesaid corporator shall forfeit a sum not exceeding ten dollars, to be recovered by and for the use of said county in a civil action before any court having competent jurisdiction, and shall be further lia-

ble, in like actions for all damages any person may sustain by reason of the neglect of the aforesaid corporator, to fulfill any of the duties imposed upon him by said act, or any one in his employ.

SECTION 6. The rates charged for crossing at said ferry shall not exceed the following, except those crossing between the hours of eight o'clock, P. M., and six o'clock, A. M., when double said rates may be charged: For each foot passenger, twenty cents; for each horse, mare or mule, with or without rider, twenty-five cents; for each two horses or mule-team, seventy-five cents; for each single horse and carriage, fifty cents; for each additional horse, mare, mule, ox or cow, twenty-five cents; for each hog or sheep, ten cents; all freights of merchandise or other articles not in teams, at the rate of fifteen cents per hundred pounds, and one dollar per thousand feet for lumber.

Rates of ferriage.

SECTION 7. If the said corporator, his heirs or assigns, or any ferryman or other person employed by him, shall take, exact, or receive any greater or higher rate of ferriage for transporting persons, goods and chattels or other things whatsoever, than is allowed by this act, the said corporator, his heirs or assigns shall be liable to the party aggrieved in the sum of five dollars for every such act, and which may be recovered before any justice of the peace of this state, having by law jurisdiction over the same.

Forfeiture for exacting illegal rates.

SECTION 8. If any other person or persons shall, after the establishment of the said ferry, as aforesaid, set up, keep or maintain any ferry, or shall carry any persons or goods or chattels, for hire or pay across the Mississippi river, from any place on the east side or shore of the waters of said river within the points above specified, every such person shall, for every such offense, forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars, to be recovered as aforesaid by and for the use of any person entitled by law to sue for the same.

Penalty for infringement of right.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 12, 1873.