

piers and booms in and along the Chippewa river, from a point near the east line of section one of township twenty-six, north of range eleven west of the fourth principal meridian, to near the southeast corner of section two of said township and range, for the purpose of storing saw logs, square and round timber, shingle bolts and other timber.

Location of
piers and
booms.

SECTION 2. The said J. F. Ellis, F. G. Barlow and Abel Davis are hereby authorized to enter upon all sloughs, bayous, arms and branches of said river, contained within the two points mentioned in section one of this act, and to improve the same for holding and storing logs, and cut a canal along said sloughs for the purpose of storing logs and to facilitate the navigation of rafts, logs and timber or other property passing along said river: *provided, always*, that a free and easy passage be, by said parties or their assigns, at all times preserved or constructed so that the navigation of said river be not impeded or hindered for rafts, boats, barges, logs and timber, or other property floating or running on the waters of said river.

Authority conferred on corporations

Passage of river not to be obstructed.

SECTION 3. Any person who shall unlawfully injure or destroy any of the piers, booms or other works, or any portion thereof, or open the boom of the parties aforesaid, or any portion thereof, shall be liable in treble the amount of the actual damages, as a penalty therefor in tort.

Penalty for damages.

SECTION 4. This act shall be held to be a public act of the state of Wisconsin, and shall be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved February 24, 1874.

CHAPTER 49.

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AN ACT to repeal section 2 of chapter 356, of the laws of Wisconsin, entitled "an act to amend the charter of the city of Kenosha," approved March 15, 1870.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 356, of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 15, 1870, entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Kenosha, is hereby repealed.

Repealed.

Duty of city
treasurer.

SECTION 2. The city treasurer of said city, in making return to the county treasurer of delinquent taxes shall comply with the provisions of the law as it existed, before the enactment repealed by section one of this act, and said provisions are hereby revived and declared to be operative and in full force.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 50.

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AN ACT to regulate the establishment of public highways in the bottom lands of the Mississippi river.

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

When shall
come legal
highways.

SECTION 1. All roads and bridges built upon the bottoms and sloughs of the Mississippi river, in the state of Wisconsin, by citizens or municipalities of the state of Minnesota or Iowa, shall become legal highways and a charge upon the towns, wherein they are situated, only upon petition of resident freeholders and the action of the supervisors under the provisions of the statutes for the establishment of highways; and the last clause of section 85, of chapter 191, of the revised statutes, declaring all roads not recorded, which have been used ten years or more, public highways, shall not apply to the roads and bridges herein specified.

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

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