

from the time of such payment," so that said section one hundred and twenty-one will read as follows: "In case of the sale of any school, swamp or university lands, made by mistake or not in accordance with law, or obtained by fraud, such sale shall be void; and no certificate of purchase issued thereon shall be of any effect, but the holder of any such certificate shall be required to surrender the same to the commissioners, who shall thereupon refund the amount paid for the lands described in the certificate, together with the interest thereon from the time of such payment."

Amended—
when may re-
voke and annul
patent.

SECTION 2. Amend section one of chapter three hundred and seventeen of the general laws of 1864, by adding to such section the following: "And shall thereupon refund the amount paid for the lands described in such patent, with the interest on the same from the time of such payment to such patentee, his heirs or assigns." So that said section will read as follows: "Whenever the commissioners of school and university lands of this state are satisfied that they have erroneously or improperly signed any patent for school or university lands, or for swamp lands, and that wrong or injustice may have been done in consequence of the issuing of such patent, they shall be, and hereby are authorized and empowered, upon the application and request in writing of the patentee, his heirs or assigns, which application shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state, to revoke and annul the same, and shall thereupon refund the amount paid for the lands described in such patent, with the interest on the same from the time of such payment, to such patentee, his heirs or assigns."

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved March 12, 1873.

CHAPTER 131.

AN ACT granting certain rights to incorporated and organized companies therein named.

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

May provide for
assessment of
expenses.

SECTION 1. All incorporated companies now organized under any existing laws, or which may hereafter

organize under any general law of this state, for the purpose of driving, sorting and delivering sawlogs, timber and lumber on Yellow river, a tributary of the Wisconsin river, and for the improvement of said Yellow river for such purpose, and who have heretofore expended or shall hereafter expend a sum of not less than twenty thousand dollars for such improvement, may provide by the by-laws of such company for the manner of the assessment of the expenses incurred by them, and to be charged to the owner or owners of such logs, timber and lumber, for driving the same, and also the amount to be charged to the owner or owners of such logs, timber and lumber, for sorting out and delivering the same to the owner or owners thereof, or to his or their agent: *provided*, that the whole amount so charged and assessed, as aforesaid, for driving, sorting out and delivering such logs, timber and lumber to the owner or owners thereof, shall not exceed, together, the sum now fixed and allowed in the act of incorporation under which such company is organized, or in any general law under which such company may hereafter organize; *and provided further*, that in case no sum or amount is fixed or specified in such acts of incorporation, or in such general law, as aforesaid, for driving, sorting out and delivering such logs, timber and lumber, then such amount shall in no case exceed the sum of one cent per thousand feet, board measure, for each and every mile said logs, timber and lumber may be driven by such company.

Limit of amount fixed for expenses.

Limit when no sum is fixed.

SECTION 2. Such company or companies so organized as aforesaid, are hereby authorized and empowered to demand, receive and collect, from the owner or owners of all such logs, timber and lumber all sums of money so assessed by them and due for driving such logs, timber and lumber, and such further sums as may be assessed by them and due for sorting out and delivering the same, which sums together, shall not exceed the sum of one cent per thousand feet per mile, as aforesaid, or the sum fixed in the act of incorporation or any general law under which such company may be organized, which sum may be assessed and collected for driving, and for sorting out and delivering separately or as a whole, as such company may determine.

Limit of charges fixed.

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

Approved March 12, 1873.