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## CHAPTER 396.

AN ACT to authorize James McCrossen, J. T. Barber, their assigns and legal representatives to build dams and improve the navigation of the west branch of Montreal river, in Ashland county, for the purpose of running, rafting, cribbing, towing, storing, assorting and delivering logs, timber and lumber thereon.

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

James McCrossen, et al., may build dams, booms, piers, etc., in west branch of Montreal river.

SECTION 1. For the purpose of improving the navigation of the west branch of the Montreal river, in Ashland county, Wisconsin, James McCrossen and J. T. Barber, their heirs or assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to build, maintain and operate a dam or dams across said river at such point or points as may be selected and deemed necessary between Island Lake at the head of said river, and the north line of section twenty-seven in township forty-six north, of range two east; and also to construct, maintain and operate a boom or booms for the handling, sorting and storing of logs, timber, rails, fence posts, ties and other material that may be floated down said stream, and to improve said river by clearing and straightening channels, closing sloughs and otherwise improving said river for driving and floating logs and timber. All of said improvements shall be kept in repair, and operated at all times for the purpose of driving and floating all logs and timber that may be put into said stream within the limits hereinbefore designated.

Gates and sluices.

SECTION 2. All dams authorized by this act shall be constructed and maintained with suitable gates and sluices for the passage of logs and timber over the same, and the management and control of the water collected therein in aid of the navigation of said river. All such dams, booms and other improvements constructed or maintained upon said river by said James McCrossen

and J. T. Barber, their heirs or assigns, under the provisions of this act, shall at all times be under the control of said James McCrossen and J. T. Barber, their heirs or assigns, and shall be so controlled and managed as in their judgment will best subserve the interests of all parties engaged in driving logs or conducting other business upon said river.

**SECTION 3.** As compensation for the improve- Tolls.  
ment of said river, whenever the said James McCrossen and J. T. Barber shall have improved the said river between the points mentioned in section 1 hereof, so as to render the floating and driving of logs and timber down said stream from said Island Lake to the north line of said section twenty-seven in township forty-six north, of range two east, reasonably certain and practicable, and shall maintain and operate the same, so that logs and timber can be so driven down said river with reasonable certainty on such freshets and with such rises of water as are necessary to float and drive logs and timber in connection with such aforesaid improvements, the said James McCrossen and J. T. Barber, their heirs or assigns, shall be authorized to charge and entitled to collect and receive of any and all persons floating or driving logs on said river, over and through any dam or improvements hereby authorized, a reasonable toll not exceeding the sum of twenty-five cents per one thousand feet board measure, as toll on all of said logs and timber.

**SECTION 4.** The tolls authorized by the provisions of this act, shall be a lien upon all logs and timber driven over any of the dams or through the improvements authorized by this act, for the amount thereof, at the rate aforesaid; and such lien shall be enforced in the same manner as liens for labor on logs under the general statute, except as to the time for filing the petition for said lien, which may, under the provisions of this act, be filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Ashland county, on or before the first day of October of the year in which said logs and timber may have been floated or driven upon said river.

Tolls to be a lien on logs and timber handled

**SECTION 5.** The said James McCrossen and J. Flowage rights  
T. Barber and their heirs and assigns, for the

purpose of acquiring the flowage rights that they deem necessary in carrying out the provisions of this act, may exercise all the powers granted to corporations by section 1777 of the revised statutes and the acts amendatory thereof.

SECTION 6. The right to amend and repeal this act at any time is hereby reserved.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

NOTE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the governor for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of the legislature in which it originated, within the time prescribed by the constitution of the state, has become a law without his approval.

T. J. CUNNINGHAM,  
*Secretary of State.*

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## CHAPTER 397.

AN ACT to fix the time for holding court in the Sixth judicial circuit.

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

Terms of court  
in the sixth ju-  
dicial circuit.

SECTION 1. The general terms of the circuit court in the several counties of the Sixth judicial circuit shall be held as follows:

In the county of La Crosse, on the second Monday of May and the second Monday of November.

In the county of Monroe, on the second Monday in April and the first Monday in October.

In the county of Trempealeau, on the third Monday of March and the third Monday of September.

In the county of Vernon, on the second Monday in June and the second Monday in December.

SECTION 2. Every general term in the several