

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

Approved March 4, 1873.

CHAPTER 87.

AN ACT granting to Albert Taylor the right to establish and maintain a ferry across the Mississippi river from some point above the limits of the village of Alma in Buffalo county, and the mouth of the Chippewa river in Buffalo county, to the opposite shore in the state of Minnesota.

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

SECTION 1. Albert Taylor, his associates, heirs and assigns shall have the exclusive right to establish and maintain for the period of fifteen years, a ferry across the Mississippi river from some point above the limits of the village of Alma in Buffalo county, and below the mouth of the Chippewa river, in Buffalo county, to the opposite shore, in the state of Minnesota. Right to establish ferry.

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

SECTION 3. The said Albert Taylor, his heirs, associates or assigns may land their boats, passengers or property at and upon any public highway which now does or may hereafter terminate within the point specified in section one (1) of this act upon the lands of any person or persons who may give their consent so to do. May land passengers on public highway.

SECTION 4. The rates charged for crossing at said ferry shall not exceed the following: For each vehicle drawn by two horses, mules or oxen, loaded or unloaded, with or without a driver, the sum of fifty cents. For cattle, horses or mules in droves, the sum of fifteen cents each. For each foot passenger, the sum of ten cents. For swine or sheep in droves, the sum of five Rates of ferrage.

cents each. On all freight, merchandise or other property, not in teams, at the rate of twenty-five cents per hundred pounds, when the same is delivered by one person, and does not exceed two hundred pounds; and for any excess of two hundred pounds, at the rate of ten cents per thousand pounds; on all lumber at the rate of fifty cents per hundred feet: *provided, however,* that double the above rates may in all cases be charged between the hours of seven o'clock, P. M., and five o'clock, A. M.; and *provided further,* that all passengers, stock and freights that may hereafter be required by any railroad company to be transferred or transported across said river at that point, shall be carried by said Taylor at one-half of the above fare and charges.

**Penalty for
illegal ferrage.**

SECTION 5. In case the said Albert Taylor, his associates, heirs or assigns, or any ferryman or other person employed by them, shall take, exact or receive any greater or higher rate of ferrage than is allowed by this act, the said Albert Taylor, his associates, heirs or assigns shall be liable to the party aggrieved, in the sum of ten dollars for every such act, to be recovered before any justice of the peace having jurisdiction over the same.

Exclusive right

SECTION 6. In case any other person or persons shall, after the establishment of said ferry, set up, keep or maintain any ferry or shall carry any person's goods or chattels for hire or pay, across said Mississippi river from any point within the points mentioned in section two of this act, every such person shall, for each and every such offense, forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars, to be recovered as aforesaid by the person entitled by law to sue for and recover the same: *provided,* that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent any railroad company or companies from establishing or maintaining a ferry or bridge within the limits mentioned in section one, for the transaction of their own business only.

Shall file bond.

SECTION 7. The said Albert Taylor, his associates, heirs and assigns shall, within one year from the passage of this act, file or cause to be filed with the clerk of Buffalo county, a bond to the supervisors of said county, with two or more sufficient sureties, to be approved by the treasurer of said Buffalo county, in the sum of two thousand dollars, conditioned that the said Taylor, his heirs and assigns will fulfill all the duties imposed upon him by this act; and if he shall fail to file said bond, he shall forfeit all the benefits that might accrue to him from this act.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
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CHAPTER 88.

AN ACT to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river at the village of Victory, in Vernon county, Wisconsin.

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

SECTION 1. That J. B. Wilcox, his associates, heirs and assigns shall have the exclusive right and privilege, ^{Exclusive right to maintain ferry.} for the period of ten years, of keeping and maintaining a ferry across the waters of the Mississippi river, at the village of Victory, in Vernon county, Wisconsin, and for two miles up and one mile down said river, from said village.

SECTION 2. The said J. B. Wilcox, 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 run said ferry boat with such passengers as may wish to take passage thereon across said river, at least once each day, when the passage of the river shall not be obstructed with ice, and to that end, shall start from said point at some hour in each day set by him, and a notice of which time shall be kept posted up in some conspicuous place in said boat, and also in said village, and all persons crossing said river after night may be charged double the fare hereinafter prescribed: *provided*, that foot passengers shall be ferried across said river at all times and hours when desiring the same.

SECTION 3. The said J. B. Wilcox, his associates and assigns may land their boats, passengers and property on any public highway which now does or hereafter may terminate within the points above specified, or on the lands of any person or persons owning the same, they having first procured permission of said owners so to do.

^{May land passengers on public highway.}