

pensation shall not be received for a length of time exceeding twenty days.

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

Approved March 10, 1874.

CHAPTER 199.

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AN ACT to authorize the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company to erect a bridge across the Mississippi river, and to ratify the location of said bridge as made.

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

Company may select site of bridge.

SECTION 1. The Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company, a corporation created and existing under the laws of the state of Wisconsin, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to build and construct a railway bridge at and from the point in La Crosse county, heretofore selected by said company, and where said bridge is now partially constructed, across the Mississippi river to the point on the west side of the river, in the county of Houston and state of Minnesota, selected by said company for the western end of said bridge. The said bridge shall be so constructed, with a proper and suitable draw or draws, with spans each side of said draw or draws not less than two hundred and fifty feet each, for the safe passage of rafts, so as not to unnecessarily impede or incommode the navigation of said river, and the location of said bridge, as heretofore made by said company, is hereby ratified and confirmed: *provided*, that guide booms shall be constructed on each side of the draw or draws for the safe passage of boats and rafts through said bridge.

Construction of bridge.

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

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