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CHAPTER 38.

AN ACT to provide for the building of a bridge across the Chippewa river at Durand.

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

May maintain
a toll bridge.

SECTION 1. George Tarrant, A. R. Dorwin, August F. Schlumpf, Phillip Vautrot, John Boehm, Andrew J. Wallace and George Hutchinson, their heirs and assigns are hereby authorized and empowered to construct and maintain a toll bridge across the Chippewa river, from some point within the limits of the village of Durand, Pepin county, Wisconsin, to the west bank of said Chippewa river in the town of Waubeek in said county; provided, the location and construction of said bridge shall be approved by the War Department, and that said bridge be so constructed as not to materially interfere with the free navigation of said river by steamboats, or the running of rafts, logs, timber or lumber down the same, and with proper piers, approaches and shear booms to control and confine the channel, and to direct and guide steamboats, rafts and lumber, coming or running down said river, within the draw span of said bridge.

Shall contain a
draw.

SECTION 2. A suitable draw shall be constructed in said bridge, of sufficient width, not less, however, than one hundred feet in the clear when open, for the free passage of steamboats, and the same shall be so located and of sufficient height as not to obstruct the free passage of rafts with their deck loading, and of logs, timber and lumber passing down said river, and such draws shall be open free of charge for the free passage of steamboats at all times when it shall be desirous of passing up or down said river with such boat or boats.

Shall collect
tolls.

SECTION 3. The said George Tarrant, A. R. Dorwin, August F. Schlumpf, Phillip Vautrot, John Boehm, Andrew J. Wallace and George Hutchinson, their heirs and assigns, shall have the power and the legal right immediately after the completion of said bridge, to demand, receive and collect tolls for passing over said bridge at rates not exceeding the following: For any vehicle drawn by two horses, mules or oxen, fifteen cents one way, and twenty-five cents for passage both

ways, the same day; for any vehicle drawn by one horse or mule, ten cents one way, or fifteen cents both ways, the same day; for horses or cattle in droves of ten or less, five cents a head; where the same are in droves of more than ten, three cents a head; sheep or hogs in droves of ten or less, three cents a head; if in droves of more than ten, two cents a head; and for each footman, five cents both ways, the same day; provided that foot passengers may have season contracts for passing over said bridge, that shall not exceed one dollar and fifty cents; provided, further, that parties purchasing tickets in sums of five dollars or more at one time, shall be allowed a discount of twenty per cent. from the rates of toll provided by this section.

SECTION 4. Said George Tarrant, A. R. Dorwin, August F. Schlumpf, Phillip Vautrot, John Boehm, Andrew J. Wallace and George Hutchinson, their heirs and assigns, shall keep posted up on a conspicuous place on said bridge, the rates of toll established by them, not exceeding the rates allowed by this act.

Rates of toll to be posted up.

SECTION 5. Any person who shall forcibly or fraudulently pass over the bridge authorized by this act, without paying the legal toll, shall be guilty of trespass, and shall for each offense, forfeit the sum of five dollars to, and for the use of the legal owners of said bridge, to be recovered with costs, as in other actions of trespass, in any court having competent jurisdiction.

Penalty for passing over without paying.

SECTION 6. The said George Tarrant, A. R. Dorwin, August F. Schlumpf, Philip Vautrot, John Boehm, Andrew J. Wallace and George Hutchinson, their heirs and assigns, shall commence the construction of said bridge as soon as practicable after the passage of this act, and the same shall be fully completed and ready for travel within two years from and after the passage of this act, or this charter shall be forfeited.

When bridge shall be constructed.

SECTION 7. Any person or persons committing any careless or malicious injury to said bridge, shall be liable to the owners thereof in double the amount of injury done, and all damages sustained may be collected before any court having competent jurisdiction thereof, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished in the manner prescribed by law for offenses of that nature.

Injury to bridge, penalty for same.

SECTION 8. If the conditions contained in this act are fully kept and performed, this act shall continue in full force and operation for the period of twenty years after the passage hereof, and no longer, unless sooner repealed.

SECTION 9. This act to take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 8, 1883.

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CHAPTER 39.

AN ACT relating to electors and general elections, and amendatory of sections 12 and 14, chapter 5, of the revised statutes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 12, of chapter 5, of the revised statutes of 1878, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 12. Every male person of the age of twenty-one years or upwards, belonging to either of the following classes, who shall have resided in the state for one year next preceding any election, and in the election district where he offers to vote, ten days, shall be deemed a qualified elector at such election:

Electors.

Who are not electors.

1. Citizens of the United States.
2. Persons of foreign birth, who shall have declared their intention to become citizens, conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization.
3. Persons of Indian blood, who have once been declared by law of congress to be citizens of the United States, any subsequent law of congress to the contrary notwithstanding.
4. Civilized persons of Indian descent, not members of any tribe.

Who are not electors.

Every person convicted of bribery shall be excluded from the right of suffrage, unless restored to civil rights, and no person who shall have made or become directly or indirectly interested in any bet or wager depending upon the result of any election at which he shall offer to vote, shall be permitted to vote at such election.

General elections, when held.

SECTION 2. Section 14, of chapter 5, of the revised statutes of 1878, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 14. The general elections prescribed in the constitution shall be held in the