

CHAP. XVIII.—An Act granting to William A. Cheever the right to establish and maintain a Ferry across the Mississippi River.

March 19, 1851.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota, That William A. Cheever, his executors, administrators or assigns, shall have the exclusive right and privilege, for the period of ten years, of keeping and maintaining a Ferry across the Mississippi River, in the County of Ramsey, and Territory of Minnesota, at the lower end of St. Anthony City, below the Falls of St. Anthony.

Grants Ferry right for ten years.

SEC. 2. That said William A. Cheever, shall at all times, keep a safe and good boat or boats, in good repair, sufficient for the accommodation of all persons wishing to cross said Ferry; and shall give prompt and ready attendance on passengers or teams on all occasions, and at all hours, both at night or day; but persons wishing to cross said Ferry in the night may be charged double the fare, as hereinafter prescribed.

Conditions of the right.

SEC. 3. The rates charged for crossing the above Ferry shall not exceed the following:

For each foot passenger, ten cents; for each horse, mare, mule or ass, with or without rider, fifteen cents; for each two horse, or two ox, or two mule team, loaded or unloaded, with driver, twenty-five cents; for each single horse carriage, twenty-five cents; for each additional cow or ox, ten cents; for each swine or sheep, two cents. All freight of lumber, merchandize, or other articles not in teams, at the rate of ten cents per barrel; fifty cents per thousand feet of lumber, and three cents per hundred weight of all other articles.

Ferry rates.

SEC. 4. The said William A. Cheever shall, within six months after the passage of this act, file or cause to be filed, with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Ramsey, a bond to the said Board, with two or more good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by said Board of County Commissioners, in the sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned that he will fulfill all the duties that are imposed upon him in the foregoing sections; and in case of his failure or neglect so to do, shall forfeit all the benefits that might have accrued to him from its passage.

Bond to be given and filed.

SEC. 5. For every neglect in keeping good and sufficient boats, or failure to give prompt and due attendance, the said William A. Cheever, shall forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty dollars; to be recovered by an action of debt, before any court having competent jurisdiction, and shall be further liable in an action on the case for all damages any person shall sustain by reason of the neglect of said Cheever to fulfill any of the duties imposed upon him in this act.

Penalties for neglect.

Remedy for damages.

SEC. 6. Any person who shall sustain any injury by the negligence or default of said Cheever, or of the Ferryman in his employ, may have a remedy by an action upon the bond required in this act.

Legislature may modify, etc., or repeal this act.

SEC. 7. The Legislative Assembly may at any time, alter, amend, modify or repeal this act.

M. E. AMES,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

D. B. LOOMIS,

*President of the Council.*

APPROVED, March nineteenth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one.

ALEX. RAMSEY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }  
St. Paul, May 13, 1851. }

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy from the original on file in this office.

C. K. SMITH,

*Secretary of the Territory of Minnesota.*

March 31, 1851.

CHAP. XIX.—An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Territory to rent rooms for the next Legislative Assembly, and for other purposes.

Duty of Secretary.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota, That the Secretary of said Territory shall, and he is hereby required, to rent suitable rooms for the session of the Legislative Assembly which will assemble, next succeeding the present Legislative Assembly; and the said Secretary shall take into his charge and possession, the furniture and property now in the rooms of the Legislative Assembly, and take care of the same for the use of the said succeeding Legislative Assembly; and that for such services as is provided for in this act, said Secretary shall receive no compensation whatever.

The act to go in, to effect at once.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

M. E. AMES,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

D. B. LOOMIS,

*President of the Council.*

APPROVED, March thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one.

ALEX. RAMSEY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }  
St. Paul, May 13, 1851. }

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