

CHAPTER 72.

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March 5, 1853. *An Act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota.*

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Corporators.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota, That Alfred E. Ames, the present Grand Master, Aaron Goodrich, Deputy Grand Master, Daniel F. Brawley, Senior Grand Warden, and Abram Van Vorhes, Junior Grand Warden of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, of Minnesota, and D. B. Loomis, J. C. Ramsey, E. Case and A. T. C. Pierson, as trustees, and their successors in office, be, and they are hereby declared to be, a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of "The Grand Lodge of Minnesota;" may have and keep a common seal, and the same alter, change or renew at pleasure; and by their corporate name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all courts, either of law or equity, and shall have perpetual succession.

Powers and privileges.

SEC. 2. Said Grand Lodge shall be established in St. Paul, and in their corporate name may contract and be contracted with, may receive by gift or purchase, and may hold and convey real and personal estate to the amount of fifty thousand dollars, and may make such by-laws, rules and regulations as they may deem best: *Provided,* That such by-laws, rules and regulations be not contrary to the constitution of the United States, or of the organic act of this Territory.

Cataract Lodge.

SEC. 3. That Alfred E. Ames, the present W. Master, D. M. Coolbaugh, Senior Warden, and C. T. Stearns, Junior Warden of Cataract Lodge No. 2, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, and their successors, be and they are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate by the name and style of "Cataract Lodge No. 2, of St. Anthony," and by such name may have and possess all the rights and privileges given the Grand Lodge in the first and second sections of this act.

St. Paul Lodge.

SEC. 4. That Daniel F. Brawley, the present W. Master, D. W. C. Dunwell, Senior Warden, and Lott Moffett Junior Warden, of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, and their successors, be and they are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate by the name and style of "St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, of St. Paul," and by such name may have and possess all the rights and privileges given the Grand Lodge in the first and second sections of this act.

St. John's Lodge.

SEC. 5. That F. K. Bartlett, the present W. Master, H. N. Setzer, Senior Warden, and Wm. Holcombe, Junior Warden of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons,

and their successors, be and they are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate by the name and style of "St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of Stillwater," and by such name may have and possess all the rights and privileges given the Grand Lodge in the first and second sections of this act.

Sec. 6. That whenever said Grand Lodge shall authorize or charter subordinate lodges in any part of Minnesota, the Masters and Wardens of each such subordinate Lodges upon filing with the clerk of any court of record in the county where such Lodge is established, or in the county to which the same is attached for judicial purposes, a certificate signed by the Master and Wardens then constituting the Lodge, setting forth therein the name of the Lodge, the county and the place where the Lodge is to meet, shall have and possess all the rights and privileges given the Grand Lodge in the first and second sections of this act, in the name specified in said certificate; and that said clerk shall have a fee of one dollar for filing and recording every such certificate, which he is hereby required to do upon the payment of such fee.

Charter of Subordinate Lodges.

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

Approved March 5, 1853.

CHAPTER 73.

An Act to incorporate the Mississippi and Lake Superior Railroad Company.

March 5, 1853.

SECTION.

1. Corporators; object and name of corporation.
2. Location of road.
3. Capital stock; amount of.
4. Books to be opened; notice of how given.
5. Directors, how elected; annual meetings.
6. Subscriptions to capital stock.
7. Rules, regulations and by-laws.

SECTION.

8. Right of way, etc.
9. Highways, etc., how crossed.
10. Dividends, how paid.
11. Damaging or obstructing road, how punished.
12. Company to provide wagon ways, etc.
13. When road must be commenced.
14. Legislature may alter or amend act.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota, That Alexander Ramsay, H. M. Rice, Franklin Steele, Charles H. Oakes, Alexander Wilkin, Lyman Dayton, H. H. Sibley, J. R. Irvine, W. G. Le Duc, C. D. Fillmore, John G. Lennon, W. R. Marshall, R. R. Nelson, C. W. Borup, W. L. Ames, W. H. C. Folsom, Orange Walker, Christopher Carli, John McKusick, Elias McKain, J. W. North, Emanuel Case, R. P. Russell, D. B. Loomis, and their associates, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate to all intents and purposes, by the name of the Mississippi and Lake Superior Railroad Company, with the power of perpetual succession, and by that name shall be, and are hereby made capable in law, to purchase, hold enjoy, and

Corporators.

Name.