

withheld by them for a longer period than ninety days after the same have been duly proven. All processes against the said Company may be served on the President or Secretary thereof.

SEC. 13. The office of the said Company shall be located and kept in the city of Carimona. Location of office

SEC. 14. This act shall remain in force for thirty years and no longer, unless authorized by the Legislature. Remain in force

CHAS. GARDNER,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives*  
JOHN B. BRISBIN,  
*President of the Council.*

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

W. A. GORMAN.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct copy of the original bill on file in this office.

J. TRAVIS ROSSER,  
*Secretary of Minnesota Territory.*

## CHAPTER CLII.

### *A Bill to Incorporate the Little Falls Bridge Company.*

- SECTION 1. Names of corporators; created body corporate.
2. Right to construct bridge; not to impede navigation.
  3. Business to be conducted by three Directors.
  4. Duty of President.
  5. Provide for election of officers.
  6. By-laws, how adopted.
  7. Capital stock prescribed by by-laws.
  8. Punishment for damaging works.
  9. No debt to be contracted unless authorized by a majority in value.
  10. Rates of toll to be charged.
  11. Legislature may alter after fifteen years.
  12. No other bridge to be established within two miles.
  13. When to take effect.

*Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:*

SECTION 1. That James Fergus, Wm. Sturgis, Calvin A. Tuttle, and such other persons as may be hereafter associated with them in the manner and for the purpose contemplated by this act, shall be known in law and equity as the "Little Falls Bridge Company," and as such may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of law and equity in this Territory and shall have a common seal which they may alter at pleasure.

SEC. 2. That said Company shall have power and right to construct and maintain a bridge across the Mississippi river, at the town of Little Falls in the county of Benton, which bridge shall be of such height and dimensions as the Directors of said Company shall deem necessary, to accommodate all travel with teams or otherwise; Provided, said bridge shall not impede the navigation of the said river, and shall be completed within three years from the passage hereof.

- Business, how conducted** SEC. 3. The business of said company shall be conducted by a board of three directors, one of whom shall be chosen by the said board of directors as President of the said company, and said directors shall be elected by the stockholders of said company in such manner and at such times and shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the by-laws of said company.
- Duty of President** SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the President of said company under the by-laws of the company or under the directions of a majority of the directors to sign all contracts or other instruments of writing between said corporation and other contracting parties and such signature when attested by the secretary of the company, shall be evidence in all cases that all such contracts or instruments of writing were duly executed by and in behalf of said company.
- Election of officers** SEC. 5. Said company shall by their by-laws provide for the election or appointment of a secretary and all such other officers as may be deemed necessary, and the duties of all officers of said company, and such other rules and regulations for conducting the affairs of said company may be contained in said by-laws as the company may deem proper; Provided the said by-laws shall contain no provision contrary to the constitution and laws of the United States, or the Organic Act and laws of this Territory.
- Adopt by-laws** SEC. 6. The by-laws of said company shall be adopted at a meeting of the incorporators of said company when a majority of all of said incorporators shall be present, and said by-laws can be altered, rescinded or amended at any subsequent meeting of the stockholders, when stockholders controlling two-thirds of the stock of said company shall be present and then only by the concurrence of two-thirds of the stockholders present.
- Capital stock.** SEC. 7. The capital stock of said company shall be prescribed by the by-laws of said company, shall be divided into shares of fifty dollars each and may be issued at such time and in such manner, and may be transferred and payment of instalments on said shares demanded and made payable as the by-laws of said company shall prescribe.
- Punishment for damages** SEC. 8. Any person who shall wilfully injure or destroy any of the works of said company authorized by this act, or any buildings, improvements or other property owned or constructed under any provision of the by-laws of said company, shall, upon conviction thereof be punished by imprisonment in the Territorial Prison not exceeding one year, or by fine not five hundred dollars, nor less than ten dollars, and shall be liable exceeding to said company for triple the damage committed, to be recovered in a civil action before any court having competent jurisdiction.
- No debt contracted unless authorized by majority** SEC. 9. No debt or liability of said company shall be contracted except authorized at a meeting of the stockholders having a majority in value of the stock of said company, and the stockholders of said company shall be individually liable for all legal demands against said company in proportion to the amount of stock held.
- Rates of toll** SEC. 10. The charges for crossing said bridge, shall not exceed the following rates for the first seven years. For each foot passenger ten cents; for each horse, mare or mule, with or without rider, 15 cents; for each two horse, two mule or two ox team, loaded or unloaded, with driver twenty-five cents; for each single horse carriage, 25 cents; for each additional cow or ox, 15 cents; for each swine or sheep, 5 cents.
- Legislature may alter** SEC. 11. This act may be altered or amended by the Legislature of the Territory or future State of Minnesota at any time after the expiration of fifteen years from the time specified in the act for the completion of the bridge.

SEC. 12. No other bridge shall be established within two miles of No bridge with-  
that erected by the Little Falls Bridge Company. in ten miles

SEC. 13. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Take effect!

CHARLES GARDNER,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

JOHN B. BRISBIN,  
*President of the Council.*

APPROVED—February eighteenth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

W. A. GORMAN.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct copy of the original bill on file in this office.

J. TRAVIS ROSSER,  
*Secretary of Minnesota Territory.*

## CHAPTER CLIII.

*An Act to Incorporate the Zombro Falls Manufacturing Company.*

- SECTION 1. Names of corporators.  
2. By-laws to define business.  
3. Provide for election of officers.  
4. By-laws, when to be adopted.  
5. Amount of capital stock.  
6. No debt to be contracted unless authorized by majority  
7. Legislature may alter or amend.

*Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:*

SECTION 1. That E. A. McMahan, H. H. Johnson, Silas Nobler, D. Names of cor-  
Upman, David Olmsted, Wm. D. Lowry, J. N. McLane, and such other orators  
persons as may hereafter be associated with them, in the manner and for  
the purpose contemplated by this act, shall be known in law and equity as  
the Zombro Falls Manufacturing Company, and as such may contract and  
be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts  
of law and equity in this Territory, and shall have a common seal which  
they may alter at pleasure.

SEC. 2. The business of said Company shall be defined by the by- y-laws to de-  
laws of said Company, and shall be conducted under a Board of three fine business  
Directors, one of whom shall be chosen by the said Board of Directors, as  
President of the said Company, and said Directors shall be elected by the  
stockholders of said Company, in such manner and at such times, and  
shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the by-laws of said  
Company. It shall be the duty of the President of said Company under  
the by-laws of the Company, or under the direction of a majority of the  
Directors, to sign all contracts or other instruments of writing between said  
corporation and other contracting parties, and such signatures when at-  
tested by the Secretary of the Company, shall be evidence in all cases that  
all such contracts or instruments of writing were duly executed by and in  
behalf of said Company.