

## CHAPTER CCCIV.

AN ACT GRANTING THE RIGHT TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A BRIDGE ACROSS THE RED LAKE RIVER AN FISHER'S LANDING IN POLK COUNTY.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:*

SECTION 1. That F. S. DeMers and Hugh Thompson, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, shall have the exclusive right and privilege, for the period of ten years from and after the passage of this act, of building and maintaining a pile bridge across Red Lake river, at Fisher's Landing, in the county of Polk; *Provided*, however, that the rights and privileges hereinbefore granted, shall not exclude or prevent the town of Fisher, or the county of Polk, at any time, from constructing and maintaining a free bridge across said river.

SEC. 2. The said F. S. DeMers and Hugh Thompson, their heirs and assigns, shall within two years after the passage of this act, construct and build across the said river, a good and sufficient bridge, as may be necessary for the passage of teams, horses, cattle and foot passengers across said river, and shall keep the same in good repair and safe condition while it shall be used.

SEC. 3. The parties hereinbefore named, shall within one year after the passage of this act, file with the county auditor of said Polk county, a bond with two or more sureties to be approved by the auditor, in the penal sum of five hundred dollars, conditioned that they will faithfully fulfill all the duties imposed upon them by this act.

SEC. 4. The said F. S. DeMers and Hugh Thompson, their heirs and assigns, shall have the right to charge and collect the following rates for crossing said bridge, to wit: for each foot passenger, three cents; for each horse or mule with rider, ten cents; for each two-horse or two-mule team, a yoke of oxen with vehicle of any kind, with or without a driver, twenty cents; for each single horse or mule, with a vehicle, with or without a driver, ten cents; for each horse, mule, ox or cow not included in the above, three cents; for each swine or sheep, three cents.

SEC. 5. If the above parties, their heirs or assigns, shall charge or exact any greater or higher rates than those above specified, they shall forfeit the sum of five dollars for each and every such act, to be recovered by suit before any justice of the peace in the town of Fisher's Landing.

SEC. 6. If the above parties fail to file within the time specified in the third section of this act, the bond therein required, or shall fail to build said bridge within two years from the passage of this act, they shall forfeit all the rights, privileges and benefits that might accrue to them from the passage thereof.

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

Approved March 6, 1879.