

SECTION 4. The purpose of this incorporation is to provide for the education and mental and moral discipline and instruction in literature, science and arts, of the students in said academy; and the said incorporation may make such rules, regulations and by-laws, and vest in their officers or any of them and their successors, such powers as they may deem necessary to effect the said purposes, and which shall not be inconsistent therewith or the laws of this state.

Purposes of academy.

SECTION 5. No national or religious test or qualification shall be required of any officer of said corporation, nor of any student or teacher of said academy.

No religious test.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 31, 1864.

CHAPTER 273.

[Published April 18, 1864.]

AN ACT granting to Seth C. McDonald the right to keep and maintain a steam ferry across the Wisconsin river.

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

SECTION 1. Seth C. McDonald, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, shall have the exclusive right and privilege, for the period of ten years, of keeping and maintaining a steam ferry across the Wisconsin river, in Grant and Richland counties, at a point where the fourth principal meridian crosses said river: *provided*, that nothing in this section shall be so construed as to prevent the running of any ferry boat, not propelled by steam, during the time when low water prevents the running of a steam boat. That the said Seth C. McDonald, his heirs or assigns shall be compelled to run a steam ferry during at least two-thirds of the ferrying season.

Authority to maintain steam ferry.

Other boats may be run in low water.

To run steam ferry two-thirds of season.

SECTION 2. The rates charged for crossing at the above ferry, shall not exceed the following, viz.: For each vehicle drawn by one horse, thirty-five cents; by

Rates of passage.

two horses or one yoke of oxen, fifty cents; for each additional horse or ox, ten cents; for man and horse, twenty-five cents; for cattle or horses in droves, ten cents each; for hogs and sheep, three cents per head; foot passengers, ten cents each; all freight or merchandise or other articles not with or in teams, at the rate of five cents per barrel, and five cents per hundred weight for all other articles, excepting lumber, which shall not exceed forty cents per M. feet, but nothing in the foregoing shall be so construed as to prevent the proprietor or proprietors of said ferry from charging double the above named freights, if ferried after dark; and during the running of ice, so as to make it difficult or dangerous to ferry, they may make such bargain or contract as they may be able to do, with those who wish to cross. The said S. C. McDonald shall also, on the south side of the river, where he may land his boat, fix and keep the road passable on to the table land, so that a team reasonably loaded can be driven off and on the boat.

To maintain good road.

To file bonds.

SECTION 3. The said Seth C. McDonald, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, shall within six months after the passage of this act, file or cause to be filed with the clerk of the board of supervisors of the counties of Grant and Richland, a bond to the people of this state, in the penal sum of five hundred dollars, with sufficient sureties, to be approved by said clerks, conditioned that he or they will fulfill all the duties that are imposed upon him or them in the foregoing sections, and in case of his or their failure or neglect to do so, shall forfeit all the benefits that might have accrued to him or them by this act.

Penalty for neglect, &c.

SECTION 4. Any person who shall sustain any injury by the negligence or default of said Seth C. McDonald, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, or of the ferrymen in his or their employ, may have a remedy by action upon the bond required in this act.

No other ferry within one mile.

SECTION 5. No ferry shall be established within one mile of the point where the ferry above provided shall be established.

Repeal.  
Proviso.

SECTION 6. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed: *provided*, that if the provisions of this act shall not be complied with in running a steam ferry, it shall not affect or re-

peal the whole or any part of any charter heretofore granted to any other company, person or persons.

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

Approved March 31, 1864.

## CHAPTER 279.

[Published April 19, 1864.]

AN ACT to authorize Fordyce S. Richards to keep and maintain a ferry on the Mississippi river.

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

SECTION 1. Fordyce S. Richards, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, are hereby granted for the period of ten years next ensuing, the right and privilege of keeping and maintaining a ferry across the Mississippi river, in the county of Pepin, in this state, at or near the foot of Lake Pepin, and no other person or persons shall during said period be permitted to establish or keep a ferry across said river within one mile of said ferry, or between said lake and the mouth of the Chippewa river: *provided*, that this charter shall be subject and subordinate to any other unexpired charter heretofore granted for said locality.

Authority to maintain ferry.

SECTION 2. Said Fordyce S. Richards, his assigns or legal representatives, shall at all times keep for the use of said ferry, good boats sufficient for the accommodation of all persons wishing conveyance across the river at said ferry, and shall give prompt attention and conveyance to passengers and teams at all hours when passage at said ferry shall be desired, but persons crossing at said ferry, or having freight of any description conveyed across, between the hours of nine o'clock P. M. and five o'clock A. M., may be charged double the rates of toll hereinafter prescribed.

To keep good boats, &c.

SECTION 3. Except in cases specified in section two of this act, the rates of toll across said river shall not exceed the following, to wit: For each foot passenger, fifteen cents; for a double loaded team, seventy-five

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