

CHAPTER 174.

AN ACT to establish a ferry across Lake St. Croix at Hudson.

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

SECTION 1. Patrick McGuire, his associates and assigns, their heirs, executors and administrators, shall have the exclusive right and privilege, for the term of ten years from and after the passage of this act, of keeping and maintaining a ferry across Lake St. Croix on fractional sections number twenty-five (25) and thirty-six (36), in township number twenty-nine (29) north, of range number twenty (20) west of the fourth principal meridian, and no ferry charter shall be granted within one mile either above or below said fractional sections.

Exclusive right to keep ferry.

SECTION 2. There shall be kept for use upon the said ferry good and sufficient boats, propelled by steam or otherwise for the use and accommodation of all persons wishing to cross said ferry, and said corporation shall give prompt and ready attendance on passengers, teams and merchandise on all occasions: *provided*, that said boat need not be run when serious injury would result by contact with the ice or otherwise; *and provided*, *further*, that when crossing is demanded after nine o'clock at night, double the actual rates for ferrying may be charged; *and provided further*, that when boats propelled by steam are used for the transportation of teams and merchandise, said corporation shall not be obliged to convey teams or merchandise or anything else, except foot passengers, before the hour of 6 A. M., and after the hour of 8 P. M. on each week day, and on Sundays between the hours of 9 A. M. and 6 P. M.; *and provided further*, that said Patrick McGuire, his associates or assigns, shall forfeit and pay to every person or persons all damages which said person or persons may suffer by reason of the said Patrick McGuire and his associates or assigns failing, neglecting or refusing to give prompt and due attendance upon such person or persons desiring to cross upon said ferry, or for failing, neglecting or refusing to provide and keep a good and sufficient boat or boats for the safe and speedy crossing of passengers or property.

Shall keep good and sufficient boats.

May charge double rates at night.

Forfeiture for non-performance.

SECTION 3. The rates for crossing at the said ferry shall not exceed the following, viz: For each foot passenger, ten cents; for each horse, mare, gelding, mule

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or ass, with or without a rider, forty cents; for each two-horse or two-ox team loaded or unloaded, with a driver, seventy-five cents; for each two horse or two ox team, with a driver, and without a wagon, fifty cents; for single horse and carriage, sixty cents; for each ox or cow, fifteen cents; for each swine or sheep, five cents; all freight or merchandise or other articles, not with or in a wagon and teams, at the rate of ten cents per barrel and ten cents per hundred weight; lumber shall be ferried at the rate of fifty cents per thousand feet, when delivered on board said boat or boats: *provided*, that the board of supervisors of St. Croix county shall have authority to reduce said rates whenever they shall deem proper.

SECTION 4. So much of any act or acts as contravenes the provisions of this act is hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 15, 1873.

CHAPTER 175.

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AN ACT amending the charter of the city of Racine, and certain amendments relating thereto.

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

Amended.

SECTION 1. Subdivision twenty-three of section three of the charter of the city of Racine is hereby amended by striking out of said subdivision the words, "board of health," and inserting in lieu thereof, "city council," and by adding after the word, "occupant," in said subdivision, the words, "or agent." Said section is further amended by adding to said subdivision as follows: "And such expense shall become a charge and lien on the lot adjoining said street or alley, and such charge or lien shall be enforced in the same manner as is provided in sections one and two of line six of said charter."

Power to appoint police force.

SECTION 2. The following section is added to the powers of the city council, namely: "The city council shall have power to appoint and maintain a police force