

deemed, treated and held valid in all courts and places, notwithstanding such recommendation may be defective from any cause, or may not have been signed as contemplated or required by said section 18, or by any other provision of said charter, anything in said chapter to the contrary notwithstanding.

SECTION 2. Authority is hereby given to the common council of said city to pay from the respective ward funds of the second and third wards of said city, so much of the total cost of the grading of Milwaukee road in said city, under the contract made by it with Thomas Thornton, as said council may deem just, a majority of the aldermen of said two wards assenting thereto: *provided*, that nothing in this section shall be so construed as in any way to affect the right of the common council to assess the cost of said grading, or the cost of the same in part upon the property fronting on said street, pursuant to the provisions of the charter of said city.

Common council authorized to pay from ward funds.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 10, 1874.

CHAPTER 227.

[*Published March 27, 1874.*]

AN ACT to regulate railroads in certain respects.

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

SECTION 1. Any company or corporation operating any line of railroad in this state, running through any village or within one-eighth of a mile thereof, containing two hundred inhabitants or more, having a post office, shall be and is hereby required to make necessary arrangements to take on and discharge freight and passengers, and shall make stoppings, one train each day, each way, at such points sufficient to enable such business to be done, in case such company or corporation runs through or adjacent to such village a train each day each way.

To receive and discharge freight.

SECTION 2. Any company or corporation mentioned in section one of this act, offending against the provisions of said section, shall be liable to pay a fine of not

Penalty for refusal.

less than twenty-five dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each and every day such company or corporation shall neglect or refuse to make such arrangements or stoppings, after a demand shall have been made upon such company or corporation to comply with the first section of this act, to be recovered as fines are now by law recoverable, by suit before a justice of the peace of the proper county, with costs of suit, one-half of said fine to go to the complainant, and one-half shall be paid into the state treasury for the benefit of the school fund.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from after its passage and publication.

Approved March 10, 1874.

CHAPTER 228.

[Published March 24, 1874.]

AN ACT to authoze Loren D. Brewster, Alexander McLaren and Michael Maguire to build, keep and maintain a dam or dams across that branch of Chippewa river, in Chippewa county, called Fisher river.

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

- Names of corporators.** SECTION 1. L. D. Brewster, Alexander McLaren and Michael Maguire, and their assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to build and maintain a dam or dams across Fisher river in Chippewa county, and to charge, collect, sue for and recover tolls for the use of the waters collected by said dam or dams, the sum of ten cents per thousand feet upon all logs and timber put in said Fisher river above said dam or dams or either of them.
- Authority to build and maintain a dam.**
- May collect tolls.**
- Shall build slides and gates.** SECTION 2. The said L. D. Brewster, Alexander McLaren and Michael Maguire, and their assigns, shall build suitable slides and gates in said dams for the purpose of sluicing logs and timber over and through said dam, and shall keep the same in repair and shall hold the water back for the purpose of sluicing and driving said logs and timber, and when the case may require the said gates shall be closed for that purpose.
- Tolls to be a lien on logs and timber.** SECTION 3. That the tolls authorized by this act shall be a lien upon the logs and timber, subject to the same, which lien may be enforced in the same manner