

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect on and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 297.

[Published March 26, 1874.]

AN ACT to provide for the improvement of Prairie river for log driving purposes.

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

Who may become (incorporators.

May erect dams and improve channel.

May collect tolls.

Rates of toll.

Proviso.

SECTION 1. For the purpose of improving that branch of the Wisconsin river known as Prairie river, so as to facilitate and insure the driving and floating of logs and timber down and out of said river, it is hereby provided and enacted, that any person, association, company or corporation, their successors or assigns, who shall improve said Prairie river by clearing and straightening its channels, closing sloughs, erecting side, rolling and flood dams, and shall keep in repair and operate the same so as to render the floating and driving of logs and timber down and out of said river practicable and reasonably certain, shall be entitled to receive and collect for such services and expenditures the following tolls, to wit: For and upon all logs and timber put in said river, from and including the lower dells on said Prairie river, to its mouth designed to be run out, not to exceed fifteen cents per thousand feet, board measure. For and upon all logs and timber put in said river, from and including the upper dells on said Prairie river to its mouth, designed to be run out of the same, the sum of twenty-five cents per thousand feet, board measure, the amount of said logs and timber to be determined by or under the direction of the lumber inspector for that district, or by the mutual agreement of parties: *provided*, that such person, association, company or corporation having undertaken the improvement of said river for the purposes herein stated, shall not be entitled to receive tolls, as hereinbefore provided, until said flood dam at lower dells and other improvements necessary from there down, entitle them to receive toll from that point, not to exceed fifteen cents per thousand feet, and until said flood dam at the upper dells is put in, and

other necessary improvements from that point down, shall not be entitled to receive toll, twenty-five cents per thousand feet.

SECTION 2. It shall be lawful for any person, association, company or corporation, their successors or assigns, having improved said Prairie river as provided in section one of this act, to take possession of all logs and timber put in said river to be floated down and out of the same, the owners or agents of which shall not have made adequate provisions for driving, by furnishing all necessary tools, men, teams and provisions for breaking rollways at the proper time, and making a thorough drive of said logs out of said river, without hindering the main drives, and to drive the same down and out of said river, and to receive and collect for such service for all logs and timber driven from and including the lower dells down to its mouth, fifty cents per thousand feet, board measure, and from and including the upper dells to the mouth down, one dollar per thousand feet, board measure. And the amount of logs so driven to be determined in the same manner as provided in section one of this act.

When may take possession of logs and timber.

SECTION 3. For any tolls or charges as herein provided which shall remain due and unpaid, the party to whom such tolls and charges shall be owing shall have a lien on all logs on which such tolls or charges or any part thereof shall remain unpaid, and on all other logs on said river owned by the party from whom such tolls or charges are due, and may enforce the same in the same manner as other liens for labor and supplies are enforced by law.

May have a lien for tolls.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 12, 1874.

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## CHAPTER 298.

[*Published March 21, 1874.*]

AN ACT relating to and amendatory of chapter 21, private and local laws of 1872, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Prairie du Chien.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 2, of chapter 21, of the private and local laws of 1872, is hereby amended

Sec 2 ch. 21, private and local laws of 1872, amended.