

in making said location, and five cents per mile in going to or returning from said county, to be paid out of the proceeds of the first sale of lots in said county seat.

§ 4. That this Act shall take effect and be in force from <sup>Take effect</sup> and after its publication in the Iowa City Republican.

APPROVED 15th January, 1855.

I certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa City Republican on the 24th January, 1855. GEO. W. McCLEARY, Sec'y of State.

## CHAPTER 26.

### INSPECTION OF LUMBER,

AN ACT to regulate the inspection of shingles and lumber.

§ 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That it shall be the duty of the county Judge of each county in this state at their first, or any subsequent term of said court, (when it may be necessary,) to appoint one in- <sup>Inspector.</sup> spector of lumber and shingles, who shall each have the power to appoint one or more deputies to act under them. <sup>Deputies.</sup> For the conduct of the deputies, the principal shall be liable.

§ 2. That before any inspector, or deputy inspector shall enter upon the duties of his office, he shall take an oath or <sup>Qualification.</sup> affirmation, that he will faithfully and impartially execute the duties required of him by law, and each inspector shall moreover, enter into a bond with sufficient security to be approved by the judge in such sum as the judge may require, made payable to the State of Iowa, which bond shall be deposited with the Treasurer of the county, conditioned for the faithful and impartial performance of his duties, as required by law.

§ 3. Any person who may think himself aggrieved, by <sup>Sue on bond.</sup> the incapacity, neglect, or misconduct of such inspector, or his deputy, may institute a suit on a copy of the bond certified by the Treasurer, for the use of the person suing: **Provided,** that the Treasurer shall not be liable for costs. And

**Judgment.** in case the person suing shall obtain judgment, he may have execution as in other cases: Provided further, that suit  
**Limitation.** be commenced within one year from the cause of action.

**Duties of Inspectors.** § 4. It shall be the duty of the inspector or their deputies within their respective counties, to inspect all lumber, boards, and shingles on application made to him or them, for that purpose; and when inspected stamp on the lumber, boards and shingles, with branding irons made for that purpose, the name of the state and county where inspected; Also, the kind and quality of the articles inspected, which branding iron shall be made and lettered as may be directed by the county judges respectfully, and every inspector shall make in a book provided by him for that purpose, fair and distinct entries of articles inspected by him, or his deputies with the names of the persons for whom said articles were inspected.

**Removed.** § 5. The county Judges in their respective counties, shall have full power, and authority on complaints and sufficient cause shown, to remove from office, any inspector appointed under this act, or to fill any vacancy that may occur by death, removal, or otherwise.

**Counterfeit brands.** § 6. That if any person shall counterfeit the aforesaid brands, or marks, or either of them, upon conviction thereof, shall be deemed guilty of forgery, and shall be punished accordingly.

**Size of shingles.** § 7. That a lawful shingle shall be sixteen inches in length, four inches wide, a half an inch thick at the butt end, and all lumber shall be divided into four qualities, and shall be designated clear, first common and second common and refused. And shingles shall be clear of sap, and designated as first and second quality. The shingles to be branded on each bundle with the quality and the name of the inspector.

**Qualities of lumber.**  
**Shingles.**  
**Fees.** § 8. The fees for inspecting and measuring shall be fifteen cents per thousand feet board measure, and fifteen cents per thousand for shingles.

**Take effect.** § 9. This act to take effect from and after its publication and distribution.

APPROVED, January 15th, 1855.

I certify that the foregoing act, was published by direction of the Governor in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa Republican, on the 14th day of February, 1855.

GEO. W. McCLEARY, Sec'y of State.