

act, which certificate shall be conclusive evidence in any court of record, in any criminal or civil suit or proceeding, that such railroad company, its officers, agents and employes, are released from all criminal prosecutions, penalties, fines and forfeitures which may have been incurred under the provisions of chapter 68 of the acts of the 15th general assembly, known as the "Railroad Tariff Law," and no greater sum shall be recovered in any case arising under the provisions of said act in any civil action or proceeding, than the actual damages suffered by any person from unreasonable charges paid prior to that date, and; *provided*, that the provisions of this act shall be accepted by such railroad company within sixty days from and after its approval by the governor.

Incurred under chap. 68, 15th G. A.

Proviso.

To take effect.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, and Iowa State Leader, newspapers published in the city of Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 17, 1876.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Leader*, March 21, and in the *Iowa State Register*, March 24, 1876.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State*.

CHAPTER 134.

LEGALIZING THE TOWN OF LENOX.

H. F. 334. AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation and Ordinances of the Town of Lennox, Taylor county, Iowa.

Preamble. WHEREAS, The town of Lenox, Taylor county, Iowa, embracing the $s \frac{1}{4}$ se sec. 6, nw $\frac{1}{4}$ and w $\frac{1}{4}$ ne sec. 8, tp. 70, r. 32, on May 26, 1875, duly filed its petition to be incorporated under the general incorporation laws of the state of Iowa, and

WHEREAS, Said town of Lennox held its first election for municipal officers on the 12th day of October A. D. 1875, and has regularly transacted business since, and enacted ordinances, and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of said incorporation and the ordinances ordained thereunder; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Legalizing clause. SECTION 1. That the incorporation of the town of Lennox, Taylor county, Iowa, be and the same is hereby legalized, and that all the official acts of the town council of the said town of Lennox, done and performed since its organization and in the organization thereof be and the same are hereby legalized and declared legal and valid.

To take effect. SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Reg-

ister, and Lenox Time Table newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa, and Lennox, Iowa, said publication to be without expense to the state.

Approved March 17, 1876.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Lenox Time Table*, March 31, and in the *Iowa State Register*, April 7, 1876.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State*.

CHAPTER 135.

LEGALIZING THE FARMER'S MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MITCHELL COUNTY.

AN ACT to Legalize the Farmer's Mutual Fire Insurance Company of H. F. 481. Mitchell County, Iowa.

WHEREAS, There was organized in March, 1874, the farmer's mutual fire insurance company of Mitchell county, Iowa, whose articles of incorporation were duly filed in the office of the recorder of Mitchell county, Iowa, wherein is situated the principal place of business of said corporation, but by oversight a copy of said articles was not filed with the secretary of state, as in such cases made and provided until September 30th, 1875. Articles not filed with secretary of state.

The said association has, since its organization, been proceeding to conduct and carry on its business, now therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of the farmer's mutual fire insurance company of Mitchell county, Iowa, be and the same is hereby legalized as are all the acts and proceedings of said association since done in pursuance of its articles, the same as if said articles of incorporation had been duly filed, and no act of the said association or of its board of directors shall be invalid by reason of the omission to file said articles of association with the secretary of state. Legalizing clause.

SEC 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, and the Mitchell County News, a newspaper published at Osage, Iowa, without expense to the state. To take effect.

Approved March 17, 1876.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Mitchell County News*, March 30, and in the *Iowa State Register*, April 5, 1876.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State*.