

SEC. 40. To Jesse Williams, for copying and forwarding memorials, resolutions, &c. the present session, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

SEC. 41. To the secretary of the Council, two hundred dollars for transcribing, indexing and superintending the printing the journal of the Council, and for distributing the same to the clerks of the several boards of county commissioners in the territory, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

Approved January 16, 1840.

[Chap. 58.]

AN ACT to authorize Robert E. Mott to keep a Ferry across the Des Moines river at the Round Mound in Lee county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa, That* Robert E. Mott, his heirs and assigns, be and they are hereby authorized to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the Round Mound in Lee county, and for one mile above and one mile below said Mound, and that said Mott have the exclusive privilege of ferrying within said limits for the term of ten years.

SEC. 2. That said ferry, when so established, shall be subject to the same regulations and under the same restrictions as other ferries are or may hereafter be by the laws of this territory fixing the rate of toll and prescribing the manner in which licensed ferries shall be kept and regulated.

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[Chap. 59.]

AN ACT for the relief of the Poor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa, That* the board of county commissioners of the several counties of this territory, shall be and they are hereby vested with entire and exclusive superintendence of the poor in their respective counties.

SEC. 2. Every poor person who shall be unable to earn a livelihood, in consequence of bodily infirmity, idiocy, lunacy or other unavoidable cause, shall be supported by the father, mother, or children of such poor person, if they, or either of them, be of sufficient ability, and every person who shall fail or refuse to support his or her father, mother or child, when directed by the board of commissioners