

time to complete dam—navigation of the river not to be impeded during progress of the work. That the holders of a charter to erect a dam across the Des Moines river, in Van Buren county, at the town of Bentonsport, approved January seventeenth, 1839, be allowed until the 17th day of January, 1845, to complete said dam and lock, as provided for in the original charter; provided, that nothing in this act shall authorize them to impede the navigation of said Des Moines river, during the time the said dam and lock are being erected.

SEC. 2.—**What part of the plat of the town of Bentonsport to be vacated.** Be it further enacted, that so much of the plat of the town of Bentonsport, in Van Buren county, that includes the lower public landing, or that portion of land known as the lower public landing, be and the same is hereby vacated.

SEC. 3. This act to take effect from and after its passage.

Approved, 16th February, 1843.

CHAPTER 83.

MUSCATINE LYCEUM.

AN ACT to incorporate the Muscatine Lyceum.

Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa:

SECTION 1. [90] **Names of corporators—name and style of association—may hold and sell property—may sue and be sued, use a seal.** That D. Clark, J. C. Irvin, J. A. Parvin, E. E. Fay, and W. G. Woodward, their associates and successors, are hereby created a body corporate, by the name and style of "The Muscatine Lyceum," with perpetual succession, with power to acquire and possess property, real, personal, and mixed, and to manage and dispose of the same at pleasure; and such corporation shall have power to contract and be contracted with, to sue and be sued, to have and use a common seal, and to alter the same at pleasure.

SEC. 2. **Objects of association.** The objects of the above corporation shall be the establishment of a library and scientific apparatus, the cultivation of the arts and sciences and the diffusion of useful knowledge, which objects shall be pursued by such means, and in such manner, as may from time to time be prescribed in the by-laws of the institution: provided, the same are not inconsistent with the laws of the land.

SEC. 3. **Appointment of president and other officers, powers and duties of same.** The officers of the said lyceum shall be a president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer, with the powers and duties usually incident to those offices, together with such other officers, and with such tenure of office, as shall be prescribed in the by-laws.

SEC. 4. **Members of the former Muscatine Lyceum to be members of this association—manner of admission of other members—place and manner of calling first meeting—officers in former institution to hold same in this.** Those persons who now are members of the association styled "The Muscatine Lyceum," shall be members of this corporation, and entitled to vote at its meetings. Future members shall be admitted as shall be ordered in the by-laws. And those persons who now hold offices in the above named association shall continue to hold the same offices under this act, until a new election is ordered by the lyceum. And any two of the above officers may

call the first meeting under this act, by posting up notice of the time and place of the meeting, in two public places in the county of Muscatine, seven days, at least, before the day of meeting. No failure to elect officers at any time appointed, shall work a forfeiture of this charter, but such election may be ordered anew, and the former officers shall serve until new elections. Vacancies occurring by death, resignation, or removal, may be filled in such manner as shall be provided by the lyceum.

SEC. 5. Deeds to be sealed with seal of lyceum. All deeds and other instruments of conveyance shall be seal-[91]-ed with the seal of the corporation, signed by the president, and by him acknowledged in his official capacity.

SEC. 6. Act subject to the action of future legislature. This act shall take effect from its passage, and shall be subject to the future action of the legislature.

Approved, 16th February, 1843.

CHAPTER 84.

APPROPRIATION ACT.

AN ACT to provide for the compensation of members, officers, printers of the Legislative Assembly, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Pay and mileage of members of Council. That the following sums are hereby appropriated out of any monies in the hands of the secretary of the territory, [92] for the following purposes, to-wit:—For pay and mileage of the members of the council, three thousand two hundred and two dollars and fifty cents.

SEC. 2. Pay of officers of Council. For pay of officers of the Council, one thousand and eighty-nine dollars.

SEC. 3. Pay and mileage of members of House of Representatives. For pay and mileage of the members of the House of Representatives, six thousand four hundred and five dollars.

SEC. 4. Pay of officers of House of Representatives. For pay of the officers of the House of Representatives, one thousand and ninety-eight dollars.

SEC. 5. John D. Elbert extra pay as president of Council. To J. D. Elbert, for extra pay as president of the council, two hundred and twenty-five dollars.

SEC. 6. James M. Morgan extra pay as speaker of House of Representatives. To James M. Morgan, for extra pay as speaker of the House of Representatives, two hundred and twenty-five dollars.

SEC. 7. Secretary of territory for miscellaneous expenses. To the secretary of the territory for miscellaneous expenses of the legislative assembly, for the session of 1842 and '3, as vouchers, fifteen hundred and thirty dollars and fifty cents.

SEC. 8. S. C. Trowbridge, postage. To S. C. Trowbridge, (postmaster,) for postage of letters, papers, documents, etc., for the House of Representatives, the sum of three hundred and ten dollars and seventy-nine cents. For postage for the Council, two hundred and twenty-three dollars and fifty-three cents.

SEC. 9. Williams & Hughes for printing. To Williams and Hughes, for printing bills, etc., for the Council, seven hundred and eighty-five dollars and twenty-five cents; for legislative reports, one hundred and forty-four dollars.