

governed by "An act to provide for laying out and opening territorial roads," approved December 29th, 1838; and shall, together with the surveyor, chainmen and marker, be paid in the manner pointed out in said act.

SEC. 3. Amount of compensation to commissioners and others. That the commissioners, surveyor, chainmen and marker, shall receive for their services the following compensation: the commissioners two dollars each, per day; the surveyor two dollars per day; the chainmen one dollar and fifty cents each, per day; and the marker one dollar and fifty cents per day, for every day that they may be necessarily employed in performing the duties enjoined upon them by this act.

SEC. 4. Time of taking effect. This act to take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, 5th February, 1844.

CHAPTER 74.

CHANGE OF NAME.

AN ACT to allow Avery Thomas to change his name.

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

SECTION 1. May take name of Lewis Ashton Thomas, instead of Avery Thomas. That Avery Thomas, of Dubuque county, in said territory, may take the name of Lewis Ashton Thomas, instead of his present name of Avery Thomas.

SEC. 2. Not to affect contracts or liabilities. That this act shall in no way affect or impair any contract heretofore made or entered into by said Thomas, or in any manner affect any debt or liability now resting upon him.

Approved, 5th February, 1844.

[94] CHAPTER 75.

FERRY.

AN ACT to authorize Guy Wells and James Wilson to keep a ferry across the Mississippi river at Fort Madison.

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

SECTION 1. Authority to keep ferry, when to be established, nature of privilege, duration of term, restriction. That Guy Wells and James Wilson, their heirs and assigns, be and they are hereby authorized to establish and keep a ferry across the Mississippi river, at the town of Fort Madison, in Lee county, within the following limits: commencing at the west side of Cedar street, and extending down said river so far as said town of Fort Madison is bounded by the same below said street; and that the said Guy Wells and James Wilson, their heirs and assigns, have the exclusive privilege of ferrying within the above limits for the term of fifteen years from and after the passage of this act: provided, that said ferry shall be subject to the same regulations and re-

strictions as other ferries are or may hereafter be by law in this territory fixing the rates of toll, and prescribing the manner in which licensed ferries shall be kept.

SEC. 2. Duty of company. That the said Guy Wells and James Wilson, their heirs and assigns, shall keep or cause to be kept, at the place aforesaid, a good steam or horse ferry boat, with a sufficient number of hands to work the same, for the transportation of all persons and their property across said river when passable without delay.

SEC. 3. Not to interfere with rights of others. Provided also, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to interfere with the right that any individual may have to the lands on either side of said river.

SEC. 4. Power to repeal reserved. That any future legislature may have a right to alter, amend, or repeal this charter.

SEC. 5. Time of taking effect. This act to take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, 6th February, 1844.

[95] CHAPTER 76.

FERRY.

AN ACT to amend an act entitled, "An act to authorize R. M. G. Patterson to establish and keep a ferry across the Mississippi river, at the mouth of Nassau slough."

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

SECTION 1. Act of January 28th, 1844, so amended as to restrain court and commissioners. That the act entitled "An act to authorize Robert M. G. Patterson to establish and keep a ferry across the Mississippi river, at the mouth of Nassua Slough," approved January 28th, 1844, be so amended that no court or board of county commissioners shall authorize any person or persons to keep a ferry at any point between the mouth of said slough and the lower end of the Nassua Island.

SEC. 2. Power of repeal reserved. That any future legislature shall have power to repeal, alter, or amend this charter.

Approved, 6th February, 1844.

CHAPTER 77.

LITERARY SOCIETY.

AN ACT to incorporate the Grandview Literary and Philosophical Society of Louisa county.

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

SECTION 1. Organization of, name and style of, duration of term, general powers, limitation of capital, restriction, may have common seal. That Alexander McCall, Lewis Kinsey, Robert Childers, Spencer Wilson and Abraham McCleary, and their associates, be and they are hereby created a body poli-