

CHAPTER 88.

REV. ISAAC SEARLES.

AN ACT for the relief of the Rev. Isaac Searles, minister of the gospel.

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

SECTION 1. **Released from liability.** That Rev. Isaac Searles, a minister of the gospel on the Cedar Rapids circuit, in the counties of Linn and Johnson, be and he is hereby released from all liability that he may have [106] incurred from the time of his appointment on said circuit up to the present time, by reason of his having celebrated the bonds of matrimony without having first obtained from the clerk of the district court a license authorizing him to solemnize marriages within this territory, and without having had the same recorded in other counties.

SEC. 2. **Time of taking effect.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, 8th February, 1844.

CHAPTER 89.

ROAD.

AN ACT to locate a territorial road from a certain point in Muscatine county therein named, to the rapids on Cedar river, in Linn county.

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

SECTION 1. **Commissioners, appointment of; commencement of road, route of.** That Robert Gower and Ebenezer A. Gray, of Cedar county, and Allen C. Sutliff, of Johnson county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to lay out and establish a territorial road, from the point on the territorial road leading from Bloomington to Iowa City west of Cedar river, and at or near where the old Indian trail leading from Cedarville, in Muscatine county, to Washington ferry, in Cedar county, crosses the road; thence running with said trail as near as the ground will admit to Jonathan Kingsberry's mill, in Cedar county; thence on the nearest and best ground for the public convenience to the Rapids on Cedar River, in Linn county.

SEC. 2. **Commissioners, when and where to meet; power to employ hands.** That the commissioners appointed as aforesaid shall meet at Washington ferry, in Cedar county, on the second Monday in June next, or as soon thereafter within one year from the passage of this act as they may deem most convenient, and proceed to locate said road, taking to their assistance necessary chainmen and markers; and the said Robert Gower is hereby authorized to discharge the duties of surveyor on said road.

SEC. 3. **Commissioners, how governed; the counties through which road runs not to pay any part of expense.** That said commissioners, in laying out said road, shall be governed by the general laws of this territory, except as herein otherwise provided: provided always, that no part of the expense of locating said road, shall be paid from the treasury of either county through which it passes.

Approved, 9th February, 1844.