

CHAPTER 7.

DES MOINES RIVER.

AN ACT to provide for the descending navigation of the Des Moines river between the mouth of the Raccoon Fork thereof, and the northern boundary of this state.

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

SECTION 1. **Obstructing the navigation—penalty—proviso.** That if any person or persons shall in any wise obstruct the navigation of the Desmoines river, between the mouth of the Raccoon Fork thereof and the northern boundary of this state, or continue such interruption or obstruction, shall be subject to indictment, and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not less than fifty dollars, to be assessed by a jury: *provided, however,* that no person shall be liable for any [32] obstructions occasioned by a mill dam in said river, who shall construct and keep in repair to such dam a good and sufficient slope of the following dimensions to-wit: In length at the rate of six feet for one foot high at the entrance of the slope, with a notch in the dam the full width of the slope, of two feet deep for every six feet high from the bottom of the dam to the top, and said slope shall not be less than thirty feet wide.

SEC. 2. **Repealing section.** That all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. **Take effect.** This act shall take effect from and after its publication according to law.

Approved, Dec. 27, 1848.

CHAPTER 8.

PROBATE JUDGE.

AN ACT to authorize the probate judge of Marion county to transcribe the records of the probate court.

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

SECTION 1. **Probate judge authorized to transcribe records.** That the judge of the probate court of the county of Marion, be authorized and required to transcribe the records of said court, and that he be allowed for transcribing said records the sum of eight cents for each and every one hundred words, to be audited and allowed by the board of commissioners, and paid out of the county treasury of the county of Marion.

SEC. 2. **Take effect.** This act to take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, Dec. 27, 1848.

CHAPTER 9.

NEW COUNTIES.

AN ACT to amend an act entitled "an act to establish new counties and define their boundaries."

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

SECTION 1. **Lucas county—boundaries.** That the following shall be the boundaries of a new county which shall [33] be called Lucas, to-wit: Begin-