

CHAP. 134.—An act to amend section eighteen hundred and sixty of the Revised Statutes so as not to exclude retired Army officers from holding civil office in the Territories

Mar. 3, 1883.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fourth clause of section eighteen hundred and sixty of the revised statutes of the United States be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows :

R. S. 1860, 329, amended.

“Fourth. No person belonging to the Army or Navy shall be elected to or hold any civil office or appointment in any Territory, except officers of the Army on the retired list.”

Approved, March 3, 1883.

CHAP. 135.—An act to fix the salary of the Collector of Customs of the District of Chicago, Illinois

Mar. 3, 1883.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, the salary of the Collector of Customs of the District of Chicago, Illinois, shall be seven thousand dollars per annum, and the same shall be in place of all salary, commissions, fees, and charges now allowed by law as compensation of that officer : *Provided,* That all fees and emoluments now received by the said collector and applied to his compensation under the provisions of existing law shall from and after the thirtieth day of June eighteen hundred and eighty two, be accounted for and paid into the Treasury of the United States.

Salary of collector of customs of the district of Chicago.

Proviso.

Approved, March 3, 1883.

CHAP. 136.—An act to authorize the construction of bridges over the Ogeechee, Oconee, Ocmulgee, Flint and Chattahoochee Rivers, in the State of Georgia

Mar. 3, 1883.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Savannah and Pacific Short Line Railway Company be, and it is hereby, authorized to construct bridges over the Ogeechee River, in the county of Chatham ; over the Oconee, in the county of Montgomery ; over the Ocmulgee, in the county of Pulaski ; over the Flint River, in the county of Dooly, and over the Chattahoochee River, in Stewart or Muscogee Counties, or such other county as said railroad company may desire or find most practicable in the final location of said road.

Savannah and Pacific Short Line Railway Company authorized to construct bridges over Ogeechee, Oconee, Ocmulgee, Flint, and Chattahoochee Rivers, in State of Georgia.

SEC. 2.—That said bridges shall be so constructed, either by draw, span, or otherwise, so that a free and unobstructed passage may be secured to all vessels and other water-craft navigating said rivers

Free navigation.

SEC. 3.—That any bridge built under this act and subject to its limitations shall be a lawful structure, and shall be recognized and known as a post-route, upon which also no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and the munitions of war of the United States, or passengers or freight passing over said bridges, than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railroad or public highways leading to the said bridges ; and it shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States.

Declared a lawful structure and post-route.

SEC. 4.—That if any of the said bridges authorized to be constructed by this act shall be constructed as a draw-bridge, the draw shall be opened promptly upon reasonable signals for the passage of boats ; and said company or corporation shall maintain, at its own expense, from sunset till sunrise, such lights or other signals on said bridge or bridges as the Light-House Board shall prescribe. No bridge shall be erected or maintained under the authority of this act which shall at any time

Signals.