

October 12, 1888.

**CHAP. 1091.**—An act to authorize the construction of a highway bridge across that part of the waters of Lake Champlain which separates the islands of North Hero and South Hero, in the county of Grand Isle, in the State of Vermont

North Hero and Grand Isle, Vt., may build bridge between North Hero and South Hero Islands, Lake Champlain.

Secretary of War to prescribe regulations, etc.

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Amendment.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the proper authorities of the towns of North Hero and Grand Isle, in the county of Grand Isle, in the State of Vermont, be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and use a highway bridge at a suitable point across the channel which lies between the islands of North Hero and South Hero and between the two towns aforesaid.

**SEC. 2.** That the structure authorized by the preceding section shall be built and located under and subject to such regulations for the security of navigation of such waters as the Secretary of War shall prescribe, and shall be provided with such suitable and convenient draw as the said Secretary shall deem needful for the proper purposes of navigation, of width not less than that of the draw in the bridge between the towns of Alburg and North Hero, Vermont; and the maintenance and management of said structure shall be subject to such of the provisions of section six of chapter fifty-two of the acts of the second session of the Forty-seventh Congress as the Secretary of War may, from time to time, deem needful; and the authority to erect and continue said bridge shall be subject to revocation and modification by law whenever the public good shall, in the judgment of the Secretary of War so require, without any expense or charge to the United States.

**SEC. 3.** That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved.

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**CHAP. 1092.**—An act to make enlisted men of the Signal Corps responsible for public property.

Signal Corps. Enlisted men, etc., to make returns of stores, etc., in their custody.

Regulations to be prescribed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, from and after the passage of this act, every officer of the Signal Corps, every non-commissioned officer or private of the Signal Corps, and all other officers, agents, or persons who now have in possession, or may hereafter receive or may be intrusted with any stores or supplies, shall, quarterly or more often, if so directed, and in such manner and on such forms as may be prescribed by the Chief Signal Officer, make true and correct returns to the Chief Signal Officer of all Signal Service property and all other supplies and stores of every kind received by or intrusted to them and each of them, or which may, in any manner, come into their and each of their possession or charge. The Chief Signal Officer, subject to the approval of the Secretary of War, is hereby authorized and directed to draw up and enforce in his Bureau a system of rules and regulations for the government of the Signal Bureau, and of all persons in said Bureau, and for the safe-keeping and preservation of all Signal Service property of every kind, and to direct and prescribe the kind, number, and form, of all returns and reports, and to enforce compliance therewith.

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**CHAP. 1093.**—An act to amend an act approved June fifteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, changing the boundaries of the fourth collection district of Virginia.

Customs districts, Virginia.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That an act entitled "An act to amend section twenty-five hundred and fifty-two of the

Revised Statutes, and to change the boundaries of the fourth collection district of Virginia," approved June fifteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, be, and the same is hereby, further amended so that it shall read:

R. S., sec. 2552, p. 503, amended. Vol. 22, p. 103.

"That the district of Newport News shall comprise all the waters and shores from the point forming the south shore of the mouth of the Rappahannock River, along the coast of the Chesapeake Bay, to Back River Light-House; thence to a point south of Old Point Comfort midway in the channel of Hampton Roads; thence in a south-westerly direction to Pig Point Light-House; thence along the south shore of the James River to a point on the peninsula formed by the James and York Rivers opposite Williamsburgh, and thence across said peninsula to the south bank of York River, so as to embrace in said district, in addition to the ports heretofore included, Hampton and Newport News; in which Newport News shall be the port of entry, and Yorktown a port of delivery."

Newport News district.

Ports of entry and delivery.

SEC. 2. That section two of the said act be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read:

"SEC. 2. The district of Norfolk and Portsmouth to comprise all the waters and shores within the State of Virginia southward of the district of Newport News, as above described, and not included in the districts of Petersburg and Richmond; in which Norfolk and Portsmouth shall be the sole ports of entry, and Suffolk and Smithfield the ports of delivery."

Norfolk and Portsmouth district.

Ports of entry and delivery.

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**CHAP. 1094.**—An act concerning the settlement of the boundary-lines between Connecticut and Rhode Island.

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Whereas Robert G. Pike, William M. Hudson, James A. Bill, and Charles B. Andrews, commissioners of the State of Connecticut, and J. Herbert Shedd, Albert L. Chester, and Daniel F. Larkin, commissioners of the State of Rhode Island, duly appointed by their respective States to ascertain and agree upon the boundary-line in the waters of the sea between Connecticut and Rhode Island, and designate the same by suitable monuments, did meet, attend to the duties of their appointment, and agree upon said boundary-line in the waters of the sea between said States, and did designate the same by suitable monuments, all of which fully appears in an agreement executed by said commissioners, dated the twenty-fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, reported by said commissioners respectively to the general assembly of each of said States and recorded in the office of the Secretary of each State; and

Boundary between Connecticut and Rhode Island. Preamble.

Whereas the agreement made by said commissioners, establishing said boundary-line, has been ratified and confirmed by said States, to wit, by the State of Connecticut in a resolution of its general assembly approved May fourth, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, and by the State of Rhode Island by a resolution of its general assembly passed May fifth, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven: Therefore,

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.* That the consent of the Congress of the United States be, and hereby is, given to said agreement, and to each and every part thereof, and the boundaries established by said agreement are hereby approved: *Provided, however,* That nothing herein contained shall be considered to impair, or in any manner to affect any right of the United States or jurisdiction of its courts, in and over the waters which form the subject of said agreement.

Consent of Congress to boundary established.

Proviso. United States jurisdiction unaffected.

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