

General of the United States to bring suit in the name of the United States, to quiet and settle the titles of the Black Bobband of Shawnee Indians," be, and the same is hereby, repealed: *Provided*, That this act shall not be so construed as to affect the validity of any decree heretofore rendered by the United States circuit court for the district of Kansas under the provisions of said joint resolution, or to impair the power of said court to set aside or amend or correct any such decree, or to divest any party in interest of his right to appeal to the United States Supreme Court within the time limited by law.

*Proviso.*  
*Decrees.*

Approved, March 1, 1889.

**CHAP. 322.**—An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Coosa River at Gadsden, in the State of Alabama.

March 1, 1889.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Anniston and Cincinnati Railroad Company, a corporation created and existing under the laws of the State of Alabama, having constructed a bridge, and approaches thereto, over the Coosa River, at or near Gadsden, in Etowah County, on a direct line from Anniston, in Calhoun County, to Attala, in Etowah County, in the State of Alabama, said company is hereby authorized to keep and maintain the same: *Provided*, That the Secretary of War shall approve the plans and dimensions of said bridge. Said bridge if approved by the Secretary of War shall be maintained so as to provide for the passage of railway trains, and, at the option of the corporation by which it is built, may be used for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot passengers, upon conditions to be agreed upon between said corporation and the county commissioner's court of the said county of Etowah and approved by the Secretary of War.

Anniston and Cincinnati Railroad Company may bridge Coosa River at Gadsden, Ala.

*Proviso.*

Railway, wagon, and foot bridge.

SEC. 2. That the bridge authorized under this act and subject to its limitations shall be a lawful structure, and shall be recognized and known as a post-route, and shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States. That no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mail, troops, and munitions of war of the United States, or for through railway passengers or freight passing over said bridge, than the rate per mile for their transmission over the railroad leading to said bridge, and equal privileges in the use of said bridge shall be granted to all telegraph companies, and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridge for postal-telegraph purposes; that the said bridge shall, either by draw, span, or otherwise, provide and secure a free and unobstructed passage-way to all watercraft navigating said river at the point aforesaid: *Provided*, That said bridge authorized by this act being constructed as a drawbridge the draw shall be opened promptly upon reasonable signals for the passage of boats or vessels, and said corporation shall maintain at its own expense, from sunset to sunrise, such lights or other signals on said bridge as the Light House Board shall prescribe: *And provided further*, That nothing herein contained shall be held to alter or affect existing laws as to the removal of bridges obstructing the navigation of rivers when the Secretary of War shall so determine.

Lawful structure and post-route.

Postal telegraph.

Unobstructed navigation.  
*Provisos.*  
Draw.

Lights, etc.

Existing laws.

Use by other companies.

SEC. 3. That all railroad companies desiring the use of said bridge shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges relative to the passage of railway trains over the same, and over the approaches thereto, upon the payment of a reasonable compensation for **such** use; and in case the owner or owners of said bridge and the several railway companies, or any one of them desiring such use, shall fail to agree upon the sum or sums to be paid, and upon rules and conditions to which each shall conform in using said bridge all matters

Secretary of War to decide.

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

in issue between them shall be decided by the Secretary of War upon the hearing of the allegations and proofs of the parties.

SEC. 4. That said company shall submit to the Secretary of War for his examination and approval the design and drawings of the bridge and a map of the location, giving the topography of the banks of the river, the shore-lines at high and low water, the direction and strength of the current at all stages, and the soundings, accurately showing the bed of the stream, and if the Secretary of War, upon an examination of the papers to him submitted, shall require any change in the location or plans of said bridge, or its entire removal, the company shall, at its own expense, comply with such requirements; and if any change be made in the plan of said bridge such change shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War; and if any litigation shall be had in regard to said bridge, by reason of said bridge being alleged to be an obstruction to the navigation of said Coosa River, the same shall be in the circuit court of the United States in whose territorial jurisdiction said bridge or any part thereof is located.

Litigation.

Amendment, etc.

SEC. 5. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved, and any alterations or changes that may be required by the Secretary of War in the bridge constructed under this act shall be made by the corporation owning or controlling the same at its own expense.

Approved, March 1, 1889.

March 1, 1889.

**CHAP. 323.**—An act providing for the establishment of a life-saving station at mouth of Coquille River, Oregon.

Life-saving station established at mouth of Coquille River, Oregon.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That a life Saving Station be and is hereby established at mouth of Coquille River, in Coos County, in the State of Oregon.

Approved, March 1, 1889.

March 1, 1889.

**CHAP. 324.**—An act for the erection of a light-house on or near Diamond Shoal, off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina.

Cape Hatteras, N. C.  
Light-house at Diamond Shoal.  
Provision.  
Contract.

Payments.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That a light-house be established on or near Diamond Shoal, off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina, at a cost not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars: *Provided,* That the contractors for doing this work shall be the lowest responsible bidders and best fitted by reason of skill and experience to do the work: *And provided further,* That payments shall be made therefor as the work progresses in the discretion of the Light-House Board, and subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Approved, March 1, 1889.

March 1, 1889.

**CHAP. 325.**—An act for the erection of a public building at the city of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Kalamazoo, Mich.

Public building.  
Site.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to purchase, acquire by condemnation, or otherwise provide a site and cause to be erected thereon a substantial and commodious building, with fire-proof vaults, for the use and accommodation of the post-office and other Government offices at the city of Kalamazoo, in the