

Removal, etc., by
Secretary War.

tions to navigation, said dam or dams shall be at once removed, or suitable lock or locks provided by the owner or owners thereof at his or their expense, so as not to interfere with navigation: *And provided further*, That if after due and sufficient notice in such case the owner or owners of said dam or dams shall neglect or fail to provide suitable lock or locks, or otherwise modify or remove said obstructions, in such manner as the Secretary of War may direct, the said Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to cause suitable lock or locks to be provided, or said obstructions to be removed or modified at the expense of the United States, and to institute proceedings against the person or persons or corporation owning or controlling said dam or dams for the recovery of the expense thereof before the circuit court of the United States in and for the district in which said dam or dams may be located.

Recovery of expense.

Commencement and completion.

SEC. 2. That the dam or dams herein provided for shall be commenced within one year from the date of approval of this act and completed within three years, under penalty of the forfeiture of the franchise herein granted.

Amendment, etc.

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

Approved, January 22, 1894.

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CHAP. 16.—An Act To amend section forty-four hundred and thirty, Title fifty-two, of the Revised Statutes of the United States, relative to inspection of iron or steel boiler plates.

Inspection of boiler plates.

R. S. sec. 4430, p. 358, amended.

Inspection at mills.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section forty-four hundred and thirty of the Revised Statutes of the United States be amended by adding thereto a paragraph, as follows:

“And the Supervising Inspector-General may, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, detail assistant inspectors from any local inspection district where assistant inspectors are employed, to inspect iron or steel boiler plates at the mills where the same are manufactured; and if the plates are found in accordance with the rules of the supervising inspectors, the assistant inspector shall stamp the same with the initials of his name, followed by the letters and words, ‘U. S. Assistant Inspector;’ and material so stamped shall be accepted by the local inspectors in the districts where such material is to be manufactured into marine boilers as being in full compliance with the requirements of this section regarding the inspection of boiler plates; it being further provided that any person who affixes any false, forged, fraudulent, spurious, or counterfeit of the stamp herein authorized to be put on by an assistant inspector, shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and shall be fined not less than one thousand dollars, nor more than five thousand dollars, and imprisoned not less than two years nor more than five years.”

Stamp.

Acceptance of stamped material.

Penalty for forging, etc., stamp.

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CHAP. 17.—An Act To amend section four hundred and seven of the Revised Statutes so as to require original receipts for deposits of postmasters to be sent to the Auditor of the Treasury for the Post-Office Department.

Postal service.

R. S. sec. 407, p. 67, amended.

Deposit of revenues.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section four hundred and seven of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 407. The postal revenues and all debts due the Post-Office Department shall, when collected, be paid into the Treasury of the United States under the direction of the Postmaster-General, and the

Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, or designated depository receiving such payment shall give the depositor a duplicate receipt therefor, to be retained by him in his office as a voucher, and shall forward the original to the Auditor of the Treasury for the Post-Office Department, to be placed to the credit of the depositor in audit of his accounts.

Disposition of receipts.

Approved, January 22, 1894.

CHAP. 18.—An Act To amend an Act approved September fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety, authorizing the New Orleans, Natchez and Fort Scott Railroad Company to construct two bridges across Boeuf River, in Louisiana.

January 22, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved September fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety, entitled, "An Act to authorize the construction of two bridges across Boeuf River, Louisiana," be, and is hereby, amended so that the time within which the actual construction of said bridges may be commenced is hereby extended for the period of one year from the date of the approval of this Act.

Boeuf River, La.
Time for bridging extended.

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CHAP. 19.—An Act To authorize the Chattanooga Western Railway Company to construct a bridge across the Tennessee River near Chattanooga.

January 27, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chattanooga Western Railway Company, a corporation created and organized under the laws of the State of Tennessee, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct and maintain a bridge, and approaches thereto, over the Tennessee River, at or near the city of Chattanooga, in the county of Hamilton, State of Tennessee, which shall be so constructed as to provide for the passage of railway trains, locomotives, passenger and freight cars on, over, and across the same. And the right is also hereby given to the said county of Hamilton to erect, or cause to be erected, on, over, and above said railway bridge, using the latter as its substructure, a public bridge to be used for the passage of street cars, wagons, and vehicles of all kinds, and for animals and foot passengers.

Chattanooga Western Railway Company may bridge Tennessee River, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Railway bridge.

County may build wagon and foot bridge.

Lawful structure and post route,

Charges.

SEC. 2. 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, 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 railroads leading to said bridge, and equal privileges in the use of said bridge shall be granted to all telegraph and telephone companies, and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridge for postal-telegraph purposes; that the said bridge shall be constructed either by draw, span, or otherwise, so that a free and unobstructed passage way may be secured to all water craft navigating said river at the point aforesaid: *Provided*, That if said bridge authorized to be constructed under this act shall be constructed as a drawbridge the draw shall be opened promptly upon reasonable signals for the passage of boats or vessels; and whatever kind of bridge is constructed 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.

Postal telegraph.

Unobstructed navigation.

Proviso.

Opening draw,

Lights, etc.

SEC. 3. That all railroad companies desiring the use of said bridge shall have, and be entitled to, equal rights and privileges relative to

Use by other companies.