

the security of the navigation of the river to be prescribed by the Secretary of War.

[See ch. 281. Post, p. 215.]

Right to erect, &c., the bridge, may be revoked.

Bridges across the Mississippi River authorized near Muscatine, Iowa;

between the counties of Carroll and Whitesides, Illinois, &c.

between La Crosse Co., Wisconsin, and Houston Co., Minnesota.

Right to alter, &c., this act, expressly reserved.

Act to take effect from passage.

under and subject to such regulations for the security of navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe, and the said structure shall be at all times so kept and managed as to offer reasonable and proper means for the passage of vessels through or under said structure; and the said structure shall be changed at the cost and expense of the owners thereof, from time to time as Congress may direct, so as to preserve the free and convenient navigation of said river. And the authority to erect and continue said bridge shall be subject to revocation, modification by law whenever the public good shall in the judgment of Congress so require, without any expense or charge to the United States.

SEC. 6. That the Muscatine Western Railroad Company, or their assigns, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Iowa, be, and is hereby authorized to construct and maintain a bridge across the Mississippi river at the city of Muscatine, in the State of Iowa. The bridge authorized to be built by this section is hereby declared to be a post-route, and shall have all the privileges, and is subject to all the terms, restrictions, and requirements contained in the foregoing sections of this act.

SEC. 7. That a bridge may be constructed and maintained across the Mississippi river, at any point they may select, between the counties of Carroll and Whitesides, in the State of Illinois, and the counties of Jackson and Clinton, in the State of Iowa, either by the Western Union Railroad Company or the Sabula, Ackley, and Dakota Railroad Company, or both of them, or by either or both of their successors or assigns, or by any person, company, or corporation having authority from the States of Illinois and Iowa. The bridge authorized to be built by this section is hereby declared to be a post-route, and has all the privileges, and is subject to all the terms, restrictions, and requirements contained in the foregoing sections of this act.

SEC. 8. That a bridge may be constructed and maintained across the Mississippi river, at any point they may select, between the county of La Crosse, in the State of Wisconsin, and the county of Houston, in the State of Minnesota, by the Milwaukee and Saint Paul Railway Company, their successors or assigns, or by any person, company, or corporation having authority from the States of Wisconsin and Minnesota. The bridge authorized to be built by this section is hereby declared to be a post-route, and has all the privileges, and is subject to all the terms, restrictions, and requirements contained in the foregoing sections of this act.

SEC. 9. That the right to alter or amend this act, so as to prevent or remove all material obstructions to the navigation of said river by the construction of bridges, is hereby expressly reserved.

SEC. 10. That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, without any expense or charge to the United States.

APPROVED, April 1, 1872.

April 1, 1872.

CHAP. LXXIV. — *An Act to authorize the Restoration of Gilbert Morton to the naval Service.*

Gilbert Morton may be re-appointed ensign in the navy.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to nominate, and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to re-appoint Gilbert Morton an ensign in the navy.*

APPROVED, April 1, 1872.

April 1, 1872.

CHAP. LXXV. — *An Act to change the Name of the Pleasure Yacht "Lois" to that of "Sea Witch," and to change the Name of the Yacht "William M. Tweed" to that of "Julia."*

Name of the

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treas-*

ury be, and hereby is, authorized to change the name of the pleasure-yacht "Lois" yacht "Lois," owned by Frank H. Stott, of the State of New York, to changed to "Sea Witch"; that of "Sea Witch," and grant said vessel registry in said name.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, au- that of the thorized to change the name of the yacht "William M. Tweed," owned "William M. Tweed," to by A. B. Stockwell, of the State of New York, to that of "Julia," and "Julia," grant said yacht registry in said name.

APPROVED, April 1, 1872.

CHAP. LXXVIII. — *An Act to authorize the President to appoint George Plunkett a Paymaster in the Navy.* April 2, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint George Plunkett a paymaster in the United States navy, if, in his opinion, the interests of the public service will be thereby promoted. George Plunkett may be appointed a paymaster in the navy.

APPROVED, April 2, 1872.

CHAP. LXXIX. — *An Act to provide for the Reporting and Printing of the Debates in Congress.* April 2, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the congressional printer is hereby directed to enter into a contract, in behalf of the general government, with Franklin Rives, Jefferson Rives, and George A. Bailey, for the reporting and printing of the debates in Congress for the term of two years, on and from the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, in accordance with a proposed form of contract from the said Rives and Bailey, submitted to and approved by the joint committee on public printing on the part of the Senate. Contract to be made for reporting, &c., the debates in Congress for two years from March 4, 1871.

SEC. 2. That for the purpose aforesaid there be appropriated and paid, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of four hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, the accounts having been approved, as in previous years, by the secretary of the Senate and by the clerk of the House, or their representatives. Appropriation.

SEC. 3. That no person shall be employed as a reporter for the House without the approval of the Speaker of the House: *Provided,* That it shall be the duty of the joint committee on public printing to publish an advertisement once a week, for four weeks, in one newspaper in each of the cities of Washington, Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, and San Francisco, inviting proposals in detail for reporting and for printing, together and separately, the debates of the forty-third, the forty-fourth, and the forty-fifth Congresses, together or separately, and to report all proposals which may be received before the designated day to Congress, at the earliest practicable date, with estimates, hereby directed to be made by the congressional printer, of the cost of reporting the debates and of printing them at the government printing office, accompanied by the recommendations of the joint committee on public printing on all proposals and estimates so submitted; and that the bills for such advertising be paid in equal parts from the contingent funds of the Senate and of the House of Representatives: *And provided further,* That no debates shall be reported or published at public expense, after the close of the present Congress, except upon written contracts entered into therefor under the authority of Congress. No person to be employed as a reporter for the House without the approval of the Speaker. Proposals to be invited by advertisement, for reporting, &c., the debates of the 43d, 44th, and 45th Congresses. No debates to be reported, &c., at public expense after, &c., except, &c. [Last proviso repealed. See *Post*, p. 510.]

APPROVED, April 2, 1872.

CHAP. LXXX. — *An Act to establish a Port of Entry and Delivery at the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.* April 2, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That a port of entry and delivery be established at Pittsburgh, Pa.. Pittsburgh, Pa..