

Assignment of rights of Hannibal and Southwestern Railway Company ratified.

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Right to amend, etc., reserved.

SEC. 6. That all the rights, privileges, and immunities granted and included in an act entitled "An act authorizing the construction of a bridge over the Missouri River at or near Arrow Rock, Missouri," approved April first, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, having been transferred and assigned by the Hannibal and Southwestern Railway Company to its successor, the Central Missouri Railway Company said transfer and assignment is hereby ratified and confirmed to said Central Missouri Railway Company.

SEC. 7. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, April 15, 1886.

April 15, 1886.

CHAP. 49.—An act to authorize the Mississippi Water-Power and Boom Company, of Brainard, Minnesota, to construct a dam across the Mississippi River.

Dam across Mississippi River may be built by Mississippi Water Power and Boom Company, of Brainard, Minn.

Canal and bridge.

Provisos.

Lock.

Government may take possession.

Navigation.

Litigation.

Right to amend, etc., reserved.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the consent of the Government is hereby given to the Mississippi Water-Power and Boom Company of Brainard, Minnesota, to construct across the Mississippi River, at some point not more than two miles from the limits of said city of Brainard, to be approved by the Secretary of War, a dam, canal and the appurtenances thereof, for water-power and other purposes, and in connection therewith a wagon and foot bridge for public travel: *Provided,* That the Government of United States may at any time construct in connection therewith a suitable lock for navigation purposes: *Provided also,* That the Government of the United States may at any time take possession of said dam and control the same for purposes of navigation, by paying said company the actual cost of the same, but shall not do so to the destruction of the water-power created by said dam: *Provided further,* That the Secretary of War may at any time require and enforce, at the expense of the owners, such modification and changes in the construction of said dam as he may deem advisable in the interests of navigation; and that said dam shall, if necessary, be so built that boats and rafts may pass through the same, without the imposition of any toll or charge: *And provided further,* That all suits relative to any obstruction of navigation arising from said dam may be tried in the United States circuit and district courts for Minnesota.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved without any claim of any kind arising in favor of any party in consequence of such amendment or repeal.

Approved, April 15, 1886.

April 15, 1886.

CHAP. 50.—An act authorizing the construction of a building for the accommodation of the Congressional Library.

Congressional Library.

Fire-proof building.

Site.

Plan.

Commission to take charge of.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That a fire-proof building, for the accommodation of the Library of Congress, shall be erected east of the Capitol, and either between B street north and East Capitol street and First street east and Second street east, or between B street south and East Capitol street and First street east and Second street east, and as the commission hereinafter provided shall determine; and the construction of said building, substantially according to the plan submitted to the Joint Select Committee on Additional Accommodations for the Library of Congress, by John L. Smithmeyer, in the Italian renaissance style of architecture, with such modifications as may be found necessary or advantageous, without materially increasing the cost of the building, shall be in charge of a commission composed of the Secretary of the Interior, the Architect of the Capitol Extension and