

CHAP. 363.—An Act For the erection of a public building at the city of Jamestown, New York.

March 2, 1899.

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 suitable, commodious, and substantial building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States post-office, and other Government offices, in the city of Jamestown and State of New York, the cost of the site and the building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, complete, not to exceed the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars.

Jamestown, N. Y.
Public building authorized.

Proposals for the sale of land suitable for said site shall be invited by public advertisement in one or more of the newspapers of said city for at least fourteen days prior to the date specified in the advertisement for opening the proposals.

Proposals for site.

The proposals made in response to said public advertisement, at the time named in the advertisement or within ten days subsequent thereto, shall be received, opened, and considered by a commission of three persons, who shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury; and it shall be the duty of said commissioners to forward to the Secretary of the Treasury, within forty days from the date named in the advertisement for opening the proposals, a written report, with the original proposals, maps, and so forth, and the oaths prescribed by Act of Congress approved June twenty-third, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and to definitely state in said report the site selected by them, and their selection of the site shall be final; and each commissioner shall be allowed a compensation for his services of an amount within the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury, said compensation not to exceed two hundred dollars and actual traveling expenses to each commissioner.

Commission to select site.

The building shall be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet on each side, including streets and alleys.

Fire space.

Approved, March 2, 1899.

CHAP. 364.—An Act Providing for an annex to the Federal building at Jackson, Mississippi.

March 2, 1899.

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, authorized and directed to cause to be erected an addition to the Government building at Jackson, Mississippi, occupied as a post-office and other Government offices, for the better accommodation of the Federal court, land, and other Government offices, and to supply said building with the necessary fireproof vaults, elevator, and other fixtures and appliances for the more convenient, safe, and ready dispatch of public business, at a cost not to exceed thirty-one thousand dollars: *Provided,* That the plans, specifications, and estimation of addition of said building and improvements or fixtures shall be made and approved according to law: *And provided further,* That said building so enlarged shall be unexposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings by an open space of not less than forty feet on all sides, including streets and alleys.

Jackson, Miss.
Annex public building authorized.

Limit of cost.

Provisos.
Plans, etc.

Fire space.

Approved, March 2, 1899.

CHAP. 365.—An Act For the erection of a public building at Monmouth, Illinois.

March 2, 1899.

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 acquire, by

Monmouth, Ill.
Public building authorized.

Limit of price. gift, purchase, or otherwise, a site for, and cause to be erected thereon, a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States post-office and other Government offices at the city of Monmouth, in the State of Illinois. The site and building thereon, with its appurtenances, when completed upon plans and specifications to be previously made and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of forty-seven thousand dollars. The building shall be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet on each side, including streets and alleys.

Fire space.

Approved, March 2, 1899.

March 2, 1899.

CHAP. 366.—An Act Authorizing the construction of three bridges across the Conecuh River, a navigable stream, in Escambia County, Alabama.

Escambia County may bridge the Conecuh River, Alabama.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the court of county commissioners of Escambia County, in the State of Alabama, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate three bridges across the Conecuh River, a navigable stream, in Escambia County, Alabama; said bridges to be located, one at Jurnegans Ferry, near Pollard, Alabama; one in the neighborhood of Hendleys Ferry, near Brewton, Alabama, and one near where Parkers Ferry now crosses said Conecuh River.

Location.

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

SEC. 2. That said bridges shall be located and built under and subject to such regulations for the security of navigation as the Secretary of War may prescribe; and to secure that object the said court of county commissioners shall submit for his examination designs and drawings of the bridges and maps of the locations, and until the said plans and locations are approved by him the bridges shall not be commenced or built; and should any changes be made in either of said bridges, before or after completion, such changes shall be likewise subject to the approval of the Secretary of War.

Aids to navigation.

Lights.

Expense of changes.

SEC. 3. That the said bridges shall be so kept and managed as to offer reasonable and proper means for the passage of vessels and other craft through or under the same; and for the safety of vessels passing at night there shall be displayed on said bridges, from sunset to sunrise, at the expense of the owners thereof, such lights or other signals as the Light-House Board may prescribe. And any changes in either of said bridges which the Secretary of War may at any time deem necessary, and order in the interests of navigation, shall be made by the owners thereof at their own expense.

Commencement and completion.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of the said bridges be not commenced in one year and completed in three years from the date hereof.

Amendment.

SEC. 5. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 2, 1899.

March 2, 1899.

CHAP. 367.—An Act To provide for the purchase of a site and the erection of a public building thereon at Joliet, in the State of Illinois.

Joliet, Ill. Public building authorized.

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 acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site, and to contract for the erection and completion thereon of a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States post-office and other