

retary of War is authorized and directed to fix reasonable charges for use of said power.

SEC. 2. That unless the work herein authorized be commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date hereof, the privileges hereby granted shall cease and be determined.

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

Approved, March 3, 1899.

March 3, 1899.

CHAP. 438.—An Act To enable the city of Albuquerque, New Mexico, to create certain indebtedness, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the city of Albuquerque, in the county of Bernalillo and Territory of New Mexico, is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds of the said city in a sum not to exceed sixty-five thousand dollars in all, in such denominations and at such rate of interest, not exceeding five per centum per annum, as the municipal government of said city shall provide, notwithstanding the Act of Congress approved July thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-six, entitled "An Act to prohibit the passage of local or special laws in the Territories of the United States, to limit Territorial indebtedness, and for other purposes." And any and all bonds of the said city issued in pursuance of the terms of this Act shall be valid and binding obligations of said city, notwithstanding the same or any part thereof may be in excess of the limit of municipal indebtedness fixed by said Act of Congress approved July thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-six: *Provided,* That the bonds issued by virtue of this Act shall be issued only for the purpose of funding the warrants of said city outstanding on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight. Such bonds shall not be disposed of for less than their par value, and shall not bear a greater rate of interest than five per centum per annum.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved, March 3, 1899.

March 3, 1899.

CHAP. 439.—An Act For the erection of public building at Lockport, New York, and New Brighton, Pennsylvania.

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 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, in the city of Lockport and State of New York, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, complete, not to exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars.

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 of largest circulation for at least twenty days prior to the date specified in the advertisement for the opening of said proposals.

Proposals made in response to said advertisement shall be addressed and mailed to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall then cause the said proposed sites, and such others as he may think proper to designate, to be examined in person by an agent of the Treasury Department, who shall make written report to said Secretary of the results of said

Commencement and completion.

Amendment.

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