

ing to said bridge; and the United States shall have the right of way for postal, telegraph, and telephone purposes without charge therefor across said bridge and approaches. Said bridge shall be built and located under and subject to such regulations for the security of navigation as the Secretary of War shall prescribe; and to secure that object the said company or corporation shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, a design and drawings of the bridge and a map of the location, giving for the space of one mile above and one mile below the proposed location the high and low water lines upon the banks of the river, the direction and strength of the current at all stages of the water, with the soundings, accurately showing the bed of the stream and the location of any other bridge or bridges, such map to be sufficiently in detail to enable the Secretary of War to judge of the proper location of said bridge, and shall furnish such other information as may be required for a full and satisfactory understanding of the subject; and until the said plans and locations are approved by the Secretary of War the bridge shall not be commenced or built; and should any change be made in the plan of said bridge during the progress of construction or after completion, such changes shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War, and any changes which the Secretary of War may require at any time in the said structure shall be promptly made by the said company at its own expense.

Telegraph, etc., rights.

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Changes.

SEC. 4. That on any bridge constructed under the provisions of this Act there shall be maintained at the expense of the company or corporation owning or controlling the same such lights and other signals as may be prescribed by the Light-House Board.

Lights, etc.

SEC. 5. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridge herein authorized be not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date hereof.

Time of construction.

SEC. 6. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, March 3, 1905.

CHAP. 1473.—An Act To authorize the levying of certain special assessments.

March 3, 1905.
[H. R. 18975.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized to levy assessments, within one month from the passage of this Act, for all water mains and service sewers laid in the District of Columbia within one year prior to April twenty-second, nineteen hundred and four, in cases where assessments for such water mains and sewers were not levied or where the assessments were not made in accordance with existing law; such assessments to be collected as provided by the Act of Congress "Authorizing the laying of water mains and service sewers in the District of Columbia, the levying of assessments therefor, and for other purposes," approved April twenty-second, nineteen hundred and four.

District of Columbia. Levy of special assessments for water service.

Ante, p. 244.

Approved, March 3, 1905.

CHAP. 1474.—An Act Permitting the building of a dam across the Mississippi River near the village of Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota.

March 3, 1905.
[H. R. 19026.]

[Public, No. 207.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to Kirby Thomas, E. J. Swedback, and M. A. Spooner, their heirs, administrators, and assignees, to build a dam

Mississippi River. Dam across, near Bemidji, Minn., authorized.

- across the Mississippi River near the village of Bemidji, between the outlet of Lake Bemidji and Wolf Lake, Beltrami County, in said river, and near the village of Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota, for the development of water power, and such works and structures in connection therewith as may be necessary or convenient in the development of said power and in the utilization of the power thereby developed: *Provided*, That the plans for the construction of said dam and appurtenant works shall be submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War before the commencement of the construction of the same: *And provided further*, That the said Kirby Thomas, E. J. Swedback, and M. A. Spooner, their heirs, administrators, and assignees, shall not deviate from such plans after such approval, either before or after the completion of said structure, unless the modification of said plans shall have previously been admitted to and received the approval of the Chief of Engineers and of the Secretary of War: *And provided further*, That there shall be placed and maintained in connection with said dam a sluiceway so arranged as to permit logs, timber, and lumber to pass around, through, or over said dam without unreasonable delay or hindrance and without toll or charges: *And provided further*, That the dam shall be so constructed that the Government of the United States may at any time construct in connection therewith a suitable lock for navigation purposes, and may at any time, without compensation, control the said dam so far as shall be necessary for purposes of navigation, but shall not destroy the water power developed by said dam and structures to any greater extent than may be necessary to provide proper facilities for navigation, and that the Secretary of War may at any time require and enforce, at the expense of the owners, such modifications and changes in the construction of such a dam as he may deem advisable in the interests of navigation: *And provided further*, That suitable fishways and lights, to be approved by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, shall be constructed and maintained at said dam by Kirby Thomas, E. J. Swedback, and M. A. Spooner, their heirs, administrators, and assignees.
- SEC. 2.** That in case any litigation arises from the building of said dam or from the obstruction of said river by said dam or appurtenant works, cases may be tried in the proper courts as now provided for that purpose in the State of Minnesota and in the courts of the United States: *Provided*, That nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to repeal or modify any of the provisions of law now existing in reference to the protection of the navigation of rivers or to exempt said structures from the operation of same.
- SEC. 3.** That this Act shall be null and void unless the dam herein authorized be commenced within one year and be completed within three years from the time of the passage of this Act.
- SEC. 4.** That the right to amend or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 3, 1905.

March 3, 1905.
[H. R. 19052.]

CHAP. 1475.—An Act To incorporate the American Academy in Rome.

[Public, No. 208.]

American Academy
in Rome.
Incorporators.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Edwin A. Abbey, Samuel A. B. Abbott, Charles Francis Adams, Edwin A. Alderman, James W. Alexander, John J. Albright, James B. Angell, Charles T. Barney, Edward J. Berwind, Edwin H. Blashfield, William A. Boring, Robert S. Brookings, Glen Brown, Daniel H. Burnham, Nicholas Murray Butler, John L. Cadwalader, Frank W. Chandler, Edward H.