

Toll.

of animals and for foot passengers and all kinds of common travel or communication, for such reasonable rates of toll as may be approved from time to time by the Secretary of War.

Use by other roads.

SEC. 5. That all railroad companies desiring the use of any bridge constructed under this Act shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges relative to the passage of railway trains or cars over the same, and over the approaches thereto, upon payment of reasonable compensation for such use; and in case the owner or owners of said bridge and the several railroad companies, or any of them, desiring such use shall fail to agree upon the sum or sums to be paid and upon the rules and conditions to which each shall conform in using said bridge, all matters at issue between them shall be decided by the Secretary of War upon a hearing of the allegations and proofs of the parties; and equal privileges in the use of said bridge shall be granted to all telegraph and telephone companies.

Telegraph, etc., rights.

Lawful structure and post route.

SEC. 6. That any bridge constructed under this Act shall be a lawful structure, and shall be known as a post-road, over which no higher charge shall be made for the transportation of mails, troops, and munitions of war, or other property of the Government of the United States, or for passengers or freight passing over the same, than the rate per mile charged for their transportation over the railways or public highways leading to said bridge. The United States shall also have the right of way over said bridge for postal-telegraph and telephone purposes.

Lights, etc.

SEC. 7. That said bridge herein authorized to be constructed shall be so kept and managed at all times as to afford proper means and ways for the passage of vessels, barges, or rafts, both by day and by night, and there shall be displayed on said bridge by the owners thereof, from sunset to sunrise, such lights or other signals as the Light-House Board may prescribe, and such changes shall be made from time to time in the structure of said bridge as the Secretary of War may direct, at the expense of the said company, in order the more effectually to preserve the free navigation of said river.

Time of construction.

SEC. 8. That this Act shall be null and void unless the construction of said bridge shall be commenced within one year and completed within three years from the passage of this Act.

Amendment.

SEC. 9. That Congress shall have power at any time to alter, amend, or repeal this Act.

Approved, February 16, 1905.

February 17, 1905.

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[Public, No. 74.]

CHAP. 580.—An Act For the establishment of subports of entry at Rouses Point and Malone, New York.

Customs.
Rouses Point and
Malone, N. Y., made
subports of entry,
with immediate trans-
portation privileges.
R. S., sec. 2535, p. 499.
Vol. 21, p. 173.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Rouses Point, New York, and Malone, New York, be, and are hereby, established as subports of entry in the customs collection district of Champlain, State of New York, and that the privileges of the first section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, relating to the transportation of dutiable merchandise without appraisement be, and the same are hereby, extended to said subports.

Approved, February 17, 1905.