

Payment of expenses by Seattle.

timber in the locality to be appraised, and the board of appraisers thus constituted shall proceed to an examination and appraisal of the present commercial stumpage value of the timber on the public lands within the drainage basin of Cedar River in the area withdrawn by section one of this Act, the cost of such examination and appraisal to be paid out of the appropriation for public-land surveys. Upon the completion of such examination and appraisal and its approval by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture a sum sufficient to pay the cost thereof shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States, to the credit of the appropriation for public-land surveys, out of the sum deposited therefor by the city of Seattle, and the remainder of such sum, if any, shall be repaid to said city.

Seattle, Wash.
Lands in drainage basin granted to.

SEC. 4. That within one year after the approval of the survey and appraisal provided for in this Act, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to patent to the city of Seattle all of the public lands within the drainage basin of Cedar River in the area withdrawn under section one of this Act, upon the payment by the said city of Seattle of the sum estimated by the board of appraisers provided for in section two of this Act as being the present commercial stumpage value of the timber on the public lands within such area: *Provided*, That if the sum of such estimate shall be less than the sum of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre for all of the lands to be patented the city of Seattle shall pay the sum of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre for said lands: *And provided further*, That there is hereby reserved to the United States all mineral deposits in said lands and the right to dispose thereof and to use such lands for such purpose.

Payment.

Provisos.
Minimum price.

Minerals reserved.

Approved, February 28, 1911.

February 28, 1911.
[S. 10318.]
[Public, No. 432.]

CHAP. 180.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to grant further extensions of time within which to make proof on desert-land entries in the counties of Benton, Yakima, and Klickitat.

Washington.
Desert-land entries in certain counties.
Time extended for completing.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion, grant to any entryman under the desert-land laws in the counties of Benton, Yakima, and Klickitat, in the State of Washington, a further extension of the time within which they are required to make final proof, provided such entryman shall, by his corroborated affidavit, filed in the land office of the district where such land is located, show to the satisfaction of the Secretary that because of unavoidable delay in the construction of irrigation works intended to convey water to the land embraced in his entry, he is, without fault on his part, unable to make proof of the reclamation and cultivation of said lands as required by law within the time limited therefor; but such extension shall not be granted for a period of more than three years, and this Act shall not affect contests initiated for a valid existing reason.

Approved, February 28, 1911.

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[H. R. 32571.]
[Public, No. 433.]

CHAP. 181.—An Act To consolidate certain forest lands in the Kansas National Forest.

Kansas National Forest.
Exchange of lands for.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior, for the purpose of consolidating the forest lands belonging to the United States within the Kansas National Forest, be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture, to exchange lands belonging to the United States which are part of the Kansas National Forest for pri-

vately owned lands lying within the exterior limits of the said national forest: *Provided*, That the lands so exchanged shall be equal in area and substantially equal in value: *And provided further*, That upon the consummation of such exchange the land deeded to the United States thereunder shall become a part of the Kansas National Forest.

Approved, February 28, 1911.

Provisos.
Value and area.
Lands added to national forest.

CHAP. 185.—An Act To authorize the city of Shreveport to construct a bridge across Red River.

March 1, 1911.
[S. 10849.]

[Public, No. 434.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the city of Shreveport, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a traffic bridge and approaches thereto across the Red River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at Shreveport, in the State of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of a bridge over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

Red River, Shreveport, La., may bridge.

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SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, March 1, 1911.

CHAP. 186.—An Act To enable any State to cooperate with any other State or States, or with the United States, for the protection of the watersheds of navigable streams, and to appoint a commission for the acquisition of lands for the purpose of conserving the navigability of navigable rivers.

March 1, 1911.
[H. R. 11798.]

[Public, No. 435.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of the Congress of the United States is hereby given to each of the several States of the Union to enter into any agreement or compact, not in conflict with any law of the United States, with any other State or States for the purpose of conserving the forests and the water supply of the States entering into such agreement or compact.

Conservation of navigable waters, etc.
Agreement between States for, authorized.

SEC. 2. That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated and made available until expended, out of any moneys in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with any State or group of States, when requested to do so, in the protection from fire of the forested watersheds of navigable streams; and the Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized, and on such conditions as he deems wise, to stipulate and agree with any State or group of States to cooperate in the organization and maintenance of a system of fire protection on any private or state forest lands within such State or States and situated upon the watershed of a navigable river: *Provided*, That no such stipulation or agreement shall be made with any State which has not provided by law for a system of forest-fire protection: *Provided further*, That in no case shall the amount expended in any State exceed in any fiscal year the amount appropriated by that State for the same purpose during the same fiscal year.

Appropriation for cooperating with States for fire protection.

Forest lands on watersheds of navigable rivers.

Provisos.
State law required.

Expenditures limited.

SEC. 3. That there is hereby appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and ten, the sum of one million dollars, and for each fiscal year thereafter a sum not to exceed two million dollars for use in the examination, survey, and acquirement of lands located on the headwaters of navigable streams or those which are being or which may be developed for navigable purposes: *Provided*, That the provisions of this section shall expire by limitation on the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

Appropriations for acquiring, etc., lands at headwaters of navigable streams.

Proviso.
Limited to 1915.