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hundred and ninety" in line five, add the words "and parts of lots one and seventeen in square three hundred and seventy-two" After the word "the", in line fourteen, add the words "purchase of lots and the", so as to make it read "purchase of lots and the erection"; After the word "two", in line fourteen, add the words "or more", so as to make it read "two or more new police station-houses"; so that section three of said act will read as follows:

"SEC. 3. That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to sell and convey, to the highest bidder, at public auction, the following-named property belonging to the said District of Columbia in Washington City: Lot three, square three hundred and eighty-two, part of lot three, square four hundred and ninety, and parts of lots one and seventeen in square three hundred and seventy-two; and also the following-named property in the city of Georgetown belonging to said District: Fish-wharf on square six, part of lots forty-seven, forty-eight, and forty-nine in square thirty, and part of lot two hundred and forty-five in square ninety-nine: *Provided*, That if, in the opinion of said Commissioners, the highest bid made at said sale for any or all of said lots is not a full and fair price for the same, the said Commissioners shall have the right to reject such bid or bids and annul said sale or sales; and that the proceeds of the sale of the said lots situate in Washington shall be applied to the purchase of lots and the erection and furnishing of two or more new police station houses in Washington; and the proceeds of the sale of the said lots situate in Georgetown, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be applied to the purchase of a lot and the erection and furnishing of a new engine-house for Engine Company Number Five of the District of Columbia fire department, at present located in said city of Georgetown."

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CHAP. 60.—An act authorizing the construction of a bridge over the Missouri River, at or near Arrow Rock, Missouri.

Hannibal and Southwestern Railway Company to construct bridge over the Missouri River at Arrow Rock, Mo.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for the Hannibal and Southwestern Railway Company, a corporation duly and legally incorporated under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Missouri, its assigns or successors to construct and maintain a bridge, and approaches thereto, over the Missouri River at or near Arrow Rock, in the county of Saline, in said State. Said bridge shall be constructed to provide for the passage of railway trains, and, at the option of the persons by whom it may be built, may be used for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot passengers, for such reasonable rates of toll as may be approved from time to time by the Secretary of War.

Shall be a post-route, and a lawful structure.

SEC. 2.—That any bridge built under this act, and subject to its limitations, shall be a lawful structure, and shall be recognized and known as a post-route, upon which also no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and the munitions of war of the United States, or passengers or freight passing over said bridge, than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railroad or public highways leading to the said bridge; and it shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States.

Spans.

SEC. 3.—That if said bridge shall be made with unbroken and continuous spans, the spans thereof shall not be less than three hundred feet in length in the clear, and the main span shall be over the main channel of the river. The lowest part of the superstructure of said bridge shall be at least fifty feet above extreme high-water mark, as understood at the point of location, and the bridge shall be at right angles to, and its piers parallel with, the current of the river: *Provided*,

Proviso.

That if the same shall be constructed as a draw-bridge, the draw or pivot pier shall be at or near that shore nearest the channel of the river where in the opinion of the Secretary of War, the passage through the draw at that point can be consistently maintained; if not so constructed then the draw pier to be in the main channel, and the opening or passage way to be so protected that water craft can be worked through it by lines, when not safe to pass otherwise; and the spans shall not be less than one hundred and sixty feet in length in the clear, and the piers of said bridge shall be parallel with, and the bridge itself at right angles to the current of the river, and the spans shall not be less than ten feet above extreme high water mark, as understood at the point of location, to the lowest part of the superstructure of said bridge: *Provided also*, That said draw shall be opened promptly upon reasonable signal for the passing of boats; and said company or corporation shall maintain, at its own expense, from sunset till sunrise, such lights or other signals on said bridge, as the Light House Board shall prescribe. No bridge shall be erected or maintained under the authority of this act which shall at any time substantially or materially obstruct the free navigation of said river; and if any bridge erected under such authority, shall, in the opinion of the Secretary of War, obstruct such navigation, he is hereby authorized to cause such change or alteration of said bridge to be made as will effectually obviate such obstruction; and all such alterations shall be made. and all such obstructions be removed at the expense of the owner or owners of said bridge. And in case of any litigation arising from any obstruction or alleged obstruction to the free navigation of said river caused or alleged to be caused by said bridge, the case may be brought in the District Court of the United States of the State of Missouri in which any portion of said obstruction or bridge may be located: *Provided further*, 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 this bridge from the operation of the same.

Draw.

Proviso.

Lights.

Free navigation preserved.

Proviso.

SEC. 4.—That all railroad companies desiring the use of said bridge shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges relative to the passage of railway trains over the same and over the approaches thereto, upon payment of a reasonable compensation for such use; and in case the owner or owners of said bridge and the several railroad companies, or any one of them, desiring such use, shall fail to agree upon the sum or sums to be paid, and upon 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.

Railway companies entitled to equal rights and privileges.

SEC. 5.—That any bridge authorized to be constructed under this act shall be built and located under and subject to such regulations for the security of navigation of said river 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 topography of the banks of the river, the shore-lines at high and low water, the direction and strength of the currents at all stages, and the soundings, accurately showing the bed of the stream, the location of any other bridge or bridges, and shall furnish such other information as may be required for a full and satisfactory understanding of the subject; and until the said plan and location of the bridge are approved by the Secretary of War the bridge shall not be built; and should any change be made in the plan of said bridge during the progress of construction, such change shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War.

Plan and location to be approved by Secretary of War.

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

Approved, April 1, 1882.