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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.

SEC. 6. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to abridge any constitutional power which either Congress or the State of Missouri may have over the regulation of charges for freight or passengers over said bridge

Received by the President, June 21, 1884.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

CHAP. 176.—An act authorizing and directing the sale of the real estate and riparian rights now owned by the United States at Harper's Ferry, in the State of West Virginia. July 4, 1884.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Solicitor of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to make sale of all the real estate and riparian rights now owned by the Government of the United States at Harper's Ferry, in the State of West Virginia, such sale to be at public auction, without reservation, except as hereinafter provided, to the highest bidder, and after not less than four weeks' public advertisement of the same, in such newspapers as the Solicitor, with the consent of the Secretary of the Treasury, may select for such publication: *Provided*, That the property shall not be sold for a less sum than twenty thousand dollars. Sale of real estate and riparian rights of U. S. at Harper's Ferry, West Virginia. *Proviso.*

SEC. 2. That said real estate and riparian rights shall be sold either as an entirety or in such parcels and divisions as in the judgment of the said Solicitor shall be most promotive of the interests of the United States, and upon such terms as to cash payment and credits as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, but so that at least one-third of the purchase-money shall be paid in cash, and the credit portion shall bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum. Conditions and terms of sale.

SEC. 3. That upon the compliance of any purchaser or purchasers of the whole of any parcel purchased as aforesaid with the terms of sale, such purchaser or purchasers shall be let into possession of the premises so purchased; and upon full payment of the purchase-money and interest (if any be due), the Solicitor of the Treasury, for and in behalf of the United States, shall make, seal, and deliver to the purchaser or purchasers good and sufficient deed or deeds, conveying all the right, title, interest, and estate of the United States in said property or parcel thereof, as the case may be, in fee simple. Conveyance of title.

SEC. 4. That this act shall be in force from its passage.

Approved, July 4, 1884.

CHAP. 177.—An act to Grant to the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company a right of way through the Indian Territory, and for other purposes. July 4, 1884.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation created under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Texas, be, and the same is hereby, invested Right of way for railway, telegraph, and telephone lines to Col-