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seven, shall be immediately available; but no such goods or supplies shall be distributed or delivered to any of said Indians prior to July first, eighteen hundred and eighty-six; and the Secretary of the Interior, under the direction of the President, may use any surplus that may remain in any of the said appropriations herein made for the purchase of subsistence for the several Indian tribes, to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars in the aggregate, to supply any subsistence deficiency that may occur: *Provided however*, That funds appropriated to fulfill treaty obligations shall not be so used: *And provided further*, That any diversions which shall be made under authority of this section shall be reported in detail, and the reasons therefor, to Congress, at the session of Congress next succeeding such diversion: *And provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior, under the direction of the President, may use any sums appropriated in this act for subsistence, and not absolutely necessary for that purpose, for the purchase of stock cattle for the benefit of the tribe for which such appropriation is made, or for the assistance of such Indians to become farmers, and shall report to Congress, at its next session thereafter, an account of his action under this provision.

Supplying deficiencies.

Treaty funds not to be used.

Diversions to be reported.

Purchase of stock cattle, etc.

SEC. 5. That when not required for the purpose for which appropriated, the funds herein provided for the pay of specified employees at any agency may be used by the Secretary of the Interior for the pay of other employees at such agency, but no deficiency shall be thereby created; and, when necessary, specified employees may be detailed for other service when not required for duty for which they were engaged; and that the several appropriations herein made for millers, blacksmiths, engineers, carpenters, physicians, and other persons, and for various articles provided for by treaty stipulation for the several Indian tribes, may be diverted to other uses for the benefit of the said tribes, respectively, within the discretion of the President, and with the consent of said tribes, expressed in the usual manner; and that he cause report to be made to Congress, at its next session thereafter, of his action under this provision.

Diversion of funds for pay of employees.

SEC. 6. That whenever, after advertising for bids for supplies in accordance with section three of this act, those received for any article contain conditions detrimental to the interest of the Government, they may be rejected, and the articles specified in such bids purchased in open market, at prices not to exceed those of the lowest bidder, and not to exceed the market price of the same, until such time as satisfactory bids can be obtained, for which immediate advertisement shall be made.

Rejection of bids.

Purchases in open market.

SEC. 7. That at any of the Indian reservations where there is now on hand Government property not required for the use and benefit of the Indians at said reservations, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to move such property to other Indian reservations where it may be required, or to sell it and apply the proceeds of the same in the purchase of such articles as may be needed for the use of the Indians for whom said property was purchased; and he shall make report of his action hereunder to the next session of Congress thereafter.

Sale of Government property on reservations; proceeds.

Approved, May 15, 1886.

CHAP. 334.—An act to authorize the construction of a railroad and wagon bridge across the Mississippi River from Winona, Minnesota, to the opposite shore in Wisconsin.

May 15, 1886.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Winona Pontoon Bridge Company, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota, is hereby authorized to construct and maintain a pile and pontoon railway and wagon bridge across the Mississippi River from the city of Winona, State of Minnesota, so as to connect with the opposite shore of said river, in the State of Wisconsin, said bridge to be

Winona Pontoon Bridge Company, authorized to bridge the Mississippi River at Winona, Minn.

Subject to terms of vol. 18, ch. 224, p. 62.

built subject, except as herein modified to all the terms, requirements and limitations contained in the act entitled "An act to legalize and establish a pontoon railway bridge across the Mississippi River at Prairie du Chien, and to authorize the construction of a similar bridge at or near Clinton, Iowa," approved June sixth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, so far as they may be applicable thereto.

Draw.

SEC. 2. That said bridge shall be so constructed with a suitable pontoon draw of not less than four hundred feet in width, located over the main channel of the river: *Provided*, That said bridge shall not be built or commenced until the plan and specifications for its construction have been submitted to the Secretary of War for his approval, nor until he shall approve the plan and location of said bridge; and if any change be made in the plan of construction of said bridge at any time, such change shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War; and any change in the construction or any alteration of said bridge that may be directed at any time by Congress or the Secretary of War shall be made at the cost and expense of the owners thereof.

Proviso.

Subject to approval of Secretary of War as to plans, etc.

Tolls.

SEC. 3. That if said bridge is constructed as a wagon bridge, the said company may charge such reasonable rates of toll for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds and for the transit of animals and foot-passengers thereon as may from time to time be approved by the Secretary of War.

SEC. 4. That Congress may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

Approved, May 15, 1886.

May 15, 1886.

CHAP. 335.—An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Yellowstone River, in Montana.

Miles City Bridge Company authorized to bridge the Yellowstone River at Miles City, Montana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Miles City Bridge Company, a corporation existing under the laws of the Territory of Montana, and having authority to construct and maintain a bridge across the Yellowstone River at or near Miles City, in the county of Custer, in said Territory, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct and maintain, for the purpose of making a more perfect crossing of said river at all times during the year, a bridge across the said Yellowstone River at or near said Miles City, to be used by said company, its successors or assigns, for all purposes of rail and other transportation over said river.

Not to impair free navigation.

SEC. 2. That any bridge built under this act shall be constructed and built without material interference with the security and convenience of navigation of said river beyond what is necessary to carry into effect the rights and privileges hereby granted; and in order to secure a compliance with these conditions the corporation, previous to commencing the construction of the bridge, or of the necessary works in the booms, dikes, or piers designed to secure the best practicable channel-way for navigation and confine the flow of water to a permanent channel, and for the guiding of steamboats and rafts safely through the draw-spans at said point, shall submit to the Secretary of War a plan of the bridge and of such accessory works, together with a detailed map of the river at the proposed site of the bridge and for a distance of a mile below and above the site, together with all other information touching said bridge and river and accessory works as may be deemed requisite by the Secretary of War to determine whether the said bridge, when built, will conform to the prescribed conditions of this act; that, as nearly as practicable, the said bridge shall be at right angles to and the piers parallel with the current of said river; and if it be found hereafter that the said bridge or accessory works materially interfere with the security and convenience of navigation of said river beyond what is necessary to carry into effect the rights and privileges hereby granted, by reason of any defect or failure in the accessory works aforesaid to accom-

Plans, etc., subject to approval of Secretary of War.