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CHAP. 243.—An act to amend an act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Eastern Branch of the Potomac River at the foot of Pennsylvania avenue east.

Eastern Branch bridge, Washington.

Alteration authorized.

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Appropriation.

Provisos.
Railroad company to share expense.

One-half to be paid from District of Columbia funds.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized in his discretion to make such alterations in the plan of the bridge across the Eastern Branch of the Potomac River at the foot of Pennsylvania avenue east as will best accommodate the traffic over and under said bridge, and for said purpose the sum of sixty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be immediately available, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided*, That the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Company pay their fair and just proportion of the cost of said alteration at the west end of said bridge, to be determined by the Secretary of War: *Provided further*, That one half of the sum hereby appropriated shall be paid out of the revenues of the District of Columbia.

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CHAP. 244.—An act for the establishment of a light-house, fog-signal, and day beacon in the vicinity of Goose Rocks, Fox Island Thoroughfare, Maine.

Goose Rocks, Maine, Light-house, fog-signal, and day beacon established.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be established at or near Goose Rocks, at the entrance to Fox Island Thoroughfare, on the coast of Maine, a light-house and fog-signal, and that there be established at or near Channel Rock, in the vicinity of Goose Rocks, a day beacon, the cost of which shall not exceed the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, including the cost of the sites.

Approved, May 14, 1888.

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CHAP. 245.—An act to authorize the Batesville and Brinkley Railroad to build a bridge across the Black River in Arkansas.

Batesville and Brinkley Railroad Company may bridge Black River, Ark.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Batesville and Brinkley Railroad Company, a corporation created and existing under the laws of Arkansas, be, and is hereby, authorized to erect and maintain a bridge across the Black River, in township twelve north, range three west, or at such point near said township as shall be selected by said railroad company for crossing said river with their railroad line, the said bridge to have a draw-span, so as not to interfere with the navigation of said river: *Provided*, That any bridge, constructed under this act and according to its limitations, shall be a lawful structure, and shall be known and recognized as a post-route, and the same is hereby declared to be a post-route, upon which also no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and munitions of war of the United States, or for through passengers or freight passing over said bridge, than the rate per mile paid for their transportation over the railroads leading to the said bridge, and equal privileges in the use of said bridge shall be granted to all telegraph companies; and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridge and its approaches for postal-telegraph purposes.

Proviso.

To be a lawful structure and post-route.

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

SEC. 2. That the plan and location of said bridge, with a detailed map of the river at the proposed site of the bridge and near thereto, exhibiting the depths and currents, shall be submitted to the Secretary of War for his approval, and until he approves the plans and location of said bridge it shall not be built; but upon the approval of said plan by the Secretary of War the said company or corporation