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this act shall be void, and all rights hereby conferred shall cease and determine.

Former act repealed.

SEC. 8. That an act entitled "An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at Memphis, Tennessee," approved February twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

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Amendment, etc.

SEC. 9. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved, and the right to require any changes in said structure, or its entire removal, at the expense of the owners, whenever the Secretary of War shall decide that the public interests require it, is also expressly reserved.

Approved, April 24, 1888.

April 24, 1888.

CHAP. 194.—An act to facilitate the prosecution of works projected for the improvement of rivers and harbors.

Condemnation of land for river and harbor improvements.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War may cause proceedings to be instituted, in the name of the United States, in any court having jurisdiction of such proceedings, for the acquirement by condemnation of any land, right of way, or material needed to enable him to maintain, operate or prosecute works for the improvement of rivers and harbors for which provision has been made by law; such proceedings to be prosecuted in accordance with the laws relating to suits for the condemnation of property of the States wherein the proceedings may be instituted: *Provided, however*, That when the owner of such land, right of way, or material shall fix a price for the same, which in the opinion of the Secretary of War, shall be reasonable, he may purchase the same at such price without further delay: *And provided further*, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to accept donations of lands or materials required for the maintenance or prosecution of such works.

Provisos.

Purchase.

Donations.

Approved, April 24, 1888.

April 26, 1888.

CHAP. 204.—An act to prevent any person or persons in the cities of Washington and Georgetown from making books and pools on the result of trotting or running races or boat races.

Pool selling and other gambling unlawful in Washington and Georgetown, D. C.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, or association or persons, in the cities of Washington and Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, to bet, gamble, or make books and pools on the result of any trotting race or running race of horses, or boat race, or race of any kind, or on any election, or contest of any kind, or game of base ball.

Punishment.

SEC. 2. That any person or persons, or association of persons, violating the provisions of this act, shall be fined not exceeding five hundred nor less than twenty-five dollars, or be imprisoned not more than ninety days, or both, at the discretion of the court.

Approved, April 26, 1888.

April 30, 1888.

CHAP. 206.—An act to divide a portion of the reservation of the Sioux Nation of Indians in Dakota into separate reservations and to secure the relinquishment of the Indian title to the remainder.

Sioux Indian Reservation, Dakota. Subdivision.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following tract of land, being a part of the Great Reservation of the Sioux Nation, in the Territory of Dakota, is hereby set apart for a permanent

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