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and maintain, under the provisions of said act, as far as applicable, except as herein modified, altered, or amended, either a railroad, wagon, and foot-passenger bridge, or a railroad, or wagon and foot-passenger bridge, and in the event that only a wagon and foot-passenger bridge be built that the provisions in said act for the passage of railroad trains and rights of railway companies incident thereto shall not apply.

Length of spans modified.

SEC. 3. That in case the bridge authorized at or near Burlington, Iowa, by an act approved August sixth, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, be constructed in the immediate vicinity of the existing railroad bridge, the length of spans required by said act may be so modified as to make the clear channel-ways correspond in length and location to the clear channel-ways of the existing bridge: *Provided*, That in the opinion of the Secretary of War the interests of navigation be not materially affected thereby.

Proviso. Not to affect navigation.

Approved, February 21, 1890.

CHAP. 19.—An act to require the Superintendent of Census to ascertain the number of people who own farms and homes, and the amount of mortgage indebtedness thereon.

February 22, 1890.

Eleventh Census. Enumeration of owners of farms, mortgages, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Census, in addition to the duties now required of him by law, to ascertain the number of persons who live on and cultivate their own farms, and who live in their own homes, and the number who hire their farms and homes, and the number of farms and homes which are under mortgage, the amount of mortgage debt, and the value of the property mortgaged. He shall also ascertain whether such farms and homes have been mortgaged for the whole or part of the purchase money for the same, or for other purposes, and the rates of interest paid upon mortgage loans.

Appropriation.

SEC. 2. That for the purposes of this act the sum of one million dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Penalties, etc. Vol. 25, pp. 764, 765.

SEC. 3. That the provisions of sections thirteen, fourteen, fifteen and sixteen of the "Act to provide for taking the Eleventh Census and subsequent censuses," approved March first, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, shall apply to the provisions of this act.

Approved, February 22, 1890.

CHAP. 20.—An act to authorize the President to confer brevet rank on officers of the United States Army for gallant services in Indian campaigns.

February 27, 1890.

Army. Brevet rank authorized for gallantry, Indian campaigns.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered, at his discretion, to nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint to brevet rank all officers of the United States Army, now on the active or retired list, who by their department commander, and with the concurrence of the commanding general of the Army, have been or may be recommended for gallant service in action against hostile Indians since January first, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

Date of commissions.

SEC. 2. That such brevet commissions as may be issued under the provisions of this act shall bear date only from the passage of this act: *Provided, however*, that the date of the particular heroic act for which the officer is promoted shall appear in his commission.

Proviso. Date of heroic service.