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Commencement and completion.

SEC. 5. That this act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridges herein authorized be not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date of the approval of this act.

Use by other railroad companies.

SEC. 6. That all railroad companies desiring the use of said bridges shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges relative to the passage of railroad trains or cars over the same, and over the approaches to the same, upon the payment of a reasonable compensation for such use, and in case the owner or owners of said bridges and the several railroad companies, or any one of them, desiring such use shall fail to agree upon the sum or sums to be paid, and upon the rules and conditions to which each shall conform in using said bridges, all matters at issue between them shall be decided by the Secretary of War upon a hearing of the allegations and proofs of the parties.

Terms.

Secretary of War to decide disagreements.

Approved, September 25, 1890.

September 25, 1890.

CHAP. 924.—An act to authorize the Chicago, Henderson, Bowling Green and Chattanooga Railway Company to construct a bridge over Green and Barren Rivers, in the State of Kentucky.

Chicago, Henderson, Bowling Green and Chattanooga Railway Company may bridge Green and Barren Rivers, Ky.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chicago, Henderson, Bowling Green and Chattanooga Railway Company, organized under an act of the general assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct and maintain one or more bridges, and the approaches thereto, over Green River and Barren River, in the State of Kentucky, at such points as said company may deem suitable for the passage of its said road over said rivers. Said bridges shall be constructed to provide for the passage of railway trains and, at the option of the corporation by which they may be built, may be used for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds and for foot passengers.

Locations, etc.

Railway, or railway, wagon, and foot bridge.

Lawful structures and post-routes.

SEC. 2. That any bridges built under this act and subject to its limitations shall be lawful structures, recognized and known as post-routes, and they shall enjoy the same rights and privileges as other post-roads in the United States. Equal privileges in the use of said bridges shall be granted to all telegraph and telephone companies, and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridges and their approaches for postal-telegraph purposes.

Use by telegraph, etc., companies.

Postal-telegraph.

Use by other companies.

SEC. 3. That all railroad companies desiring the use of said bridges shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges relative to the passage of railway trains over the same, and over the approaches thereto, upon the payment of a reasonable compensation for such use; and in case the owner or owners of said bridges and the several railroad companies, or any of them desiring such use, shall fail to agree upon the sum or sums to be paid, and upon rules and conditions to which each shall conform in using said bridges, all matters at issue between them shall be decided by the Secretary of War upon a hearing of the allegations and proofs of the parties.

Terms.

Security of navigation.

SEC. 4. That any bridges authorized to be constructed under this act shall be built and located under and subject to such regulations for the security of the navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe, and to secure that object the said company or corporation shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, a design and drawing of the bridges and a map of the location thereof, and until the said plan and location of the bridges are approved by the Secretary of War the bridges shall not be commenced or built; and should any changes be made in the plan of said bridges during the progress of construction, such changse

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War; and said bridges shall be at all times so managed and kept as to offer reasonable and proper means for the passage of vessels through or under them; and to secure the safe passage of vessels at night there shall be displayed on said bridges, from sunset to sunrise, such lights or other signals as may be prescribed by the Light-House Board; and all changes in said bridges required by the Secretary of War at any time, or their entire removal, shall be at the expense of the corporations or persons owning or operating said bridges.

Lights, etc.

Structural changes, etc.

SEC. 5. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment, etc.

SEC. 6. That this act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridges herein authorized be not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date hereof.

Commencement and completion.

Approved, September 25, 1890.

CHAP. 925.—An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to sell certain lands, and to grant the proceeds of such sale to the town of Pelican, Oneida County, Wisconsin, for school purposes.

September 25, 1890.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to cause an appraisal to be made at an expense of not exceeding one hundred dollars of the following-described lands, situated in the town of Pelican, in the county of Oneida and State of Wisconsin, and now a part of the public domain and subject to entry under the provisions of the homestead law, namely: Lots numbered two and three, and the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, and the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter, all in section numbered thirty-two, in township numbered thirty-seven north, of range numbered nine east, of the fourth principal meridian, and being in the Wausau land district in the State of Wisconsin, and containing, according to Government survey, one hundred and sixty-six and forty one hundreths acres. Said appraisal shall be made by three competent men, to be selected by the Secretary of the Interior, who shall make a true estimate of the value of said lands according to their best judgment after a personal inspection of the same. Said appraisers shall make two copies of their appraisal, one of which shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior, and the other filed in the United States Land office for the district in which said lands are located. As soon after the receipt of such appraisal as practicable the Secretary of the Interior shall cause a statement containing the substance of said apraisal to be published in three newspapers published in the State of Wisconsin, one of which shall be published in the county where said lands are situated, together with a notice that said lands will be offered for sale at the land office in the district where said lands are located on a certain day, which shall not be less than three months after said appraisal nor more than six months, at which sale said lands shall be sold to the highest bidder for cash, but no bid shall be accepted for said lands or lots which is not equal to the appraised value of said lands or lots, made as aforesaid: *Provided*, That the Secretary may, if in his opinion it is deemed advisable and in the interests of justice, divide one or more of said lots or subdivisions above described into lots of one acre or smaller, and cause the same to be sold separately to the highest bidder, as hereinbefore provided.

Public lands.
Sale of certain lands in and proceeds granted for school purposes to Pelican, Oneida County, Wis.
Cost of appraisal.
Location.
Description, etc.
Appraisers to be appointed.
Appraisal.
Publication.
Notice of sale.
Sale.
Limitation.
Proviso.
Sale of subdivisions, etc.

SEC. 2. That the proceeds of such sale, after deducting the cost of the appraisal, subdividing, advertising, and sale, is hereby donated

Proceeds donated to school purposes.