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CHAP. 48.—An Act To repeal section three hundred and eleven of the Revised Statutes of the United States relating to accounts of the Treasury of the United States. March 29, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section three hundred and eleven of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and the same is hereby, repealed. Treasurer's annual account. R. S. sec. 311, p. 52, repealed.

Approved, March 29, 1894.

CHAP. 49.—An Act To regulate the making of property returns by officers of the Government. March 29, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That instead of forwarding to the accounting officers of the Treasury Department returns of public property entrusted to the possession of officers or agents, the Quartermaster-General, the Commissary-General of Subsistence, the Surgeon-General, the Chief of Engineers, the Chief of Ordnance, the Chief Signal Officer, the Paymaster-General of the Navy, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, or other like chief officers in any Department, by, through, or under whom stores, supplies, and other public property are received for distribution, or whose duty it is to receive or examine returns of such property, shall certify to the proper accounting officer of the Treasury Department, for debiting on the proper account, any charge against any officer or agent intrusted with public property, arising from any loss, accruing by his fault, to the Government as to the property so intrusted to him. Property returns. Only certificates of loss to be forwarded to Treasury accounting officers.

SEC. 2. That said certificate shall set forth the condition of such officer's or agent's property returns, that it includes all charges made up to its date and not previously certified, that he has had a reasonable opportunity to be heard and has not been relieved of responsibility; the effect of such certificate, when received, shall be the same as if the facts therein set forth had been ascertained by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department in accounting. Contents of certificate.

SEC. 3. That the manner of making property returns to or in any administrative bureau or department, or of ascertaining liability for property, under existing laws and regulations, shall not be affected by this Act, except as provided in section one; but in all cases arising as to such property so intrusted the officer or agent shall have an opportunity to relieve himself from liability. Manner of returns, etc., not affected.

SEC. 4. That the heads of the several Departments are hereby empowered to make and enforce regulations to carry out the provisions of this Act. Regulations.

SEC. 5. That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed. Repeal.

Approved, March 29, 1894.

CHAP. 51.—An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge over the Monongahela River at Glenwood, Pennsylvania. April 2, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Glenwood Highway Bridge Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, its successors and assigns, be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge over the Monongahela River, from a point on the north shore of said Monongahela River at or near where Second avenue in the Twenty-third ward of the city of Pittsburg is crossed by the Pittsburg and Connellsville Railroad, to a point directly across said river, on the south shore thereof, about four hundred feet, more or Glenwood Highway Bridge Company may bridge Monongahela River, Pittsburg, Pa.