

as to preserve the free and convenient navigation of said river; the draws of such bridge shall be opened promptly upon reasonable signal for the passage of boats; and such lights or other signals shall be maintained on said bridge, by the owners thereof, from sunset to sunrise, as the Light-House Board shall prescribe; and the authority to erect and continue said bridge shall be subject to revocation and modification by law when the public good shall, in the judgment of Congress, so require, without any expense or charge to the United States.

Lights, etc.

Amendment, etc.

Commencement and completion.

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

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

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CHAP. 422.—An Act To change the time and places for the district and circuit courts of the northern district of Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the United States circuit and district courts for the northern district of Texas shall be composed of the counties hereinafter named, and the terms of the said courts shall be held in each year at the time and places as follows:

Texas northern judicial district.
Terms.
R. S., secs. 572, 658,
pp. 101, 122.
Vol. 20, p. 318.
Dallas.

At Dallas, in the county of Dallas, on the second Monday of January and the third Monday of May.

Waco.

At Waco, in the county of McLennan, on the second Monday of April and the third Monday of November.

Fort Worth.

At Fort Worth, in the county of Tarrant, on the first Monday of March and the third Monday in September.

Abilene.

At Abilene, in the county of Taylor, on the third Monday of March and the third Monday in October.

San Angelo.

At San Angelo, in the county of Tom Green, on the fourth Monday of March and the first Monday in November.

Return of process.

SEC. 2. That all process issued against defendants residing in the counties of Brazos, Robertson, Leon, Limestone, Freestone, McLennan, Falls, Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Bosque, Somervell, and Hill shall be returned to Waco. All process issued against defendants residing in the counties of Navarro, Johnson, Ellis, Kaufman, Dallas, Rockwall, Hunt, Collin, Denton, Cooke, and Montague shall be returned to Dallas. All process issued against defendants residing in the counties of Comanche, Hood, Erath, Tarrant, Parker, Palo Pinto, Wise, Clay, Jack, Young, Archer, Wichita, Wilbarger, Baylor, Hardeman, Cottle, Motley, Briscoe, Hall, Childress, Collingsworth, Donley, Armstrong, Randall, Deaf Smith, Oldham, Potter, Carson, Gray, Wheeler, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts, Hutchinson, Hansford, Sherman, Moore, Hartley, and Dallam shall be returned to Fort Worth. All process issued against defendants residing in the counties of Eastland, Stephens, Throckmorton, Shackelford, Callahan, Taylor, Jones, Haskell, Knox, Nolan, Fisher, Stonewall, Kent, Dickens, King, Crosby, Garza, Lubbock, Gaines, Andrews, Mitchell, Scurry, Borden, Howard, Martin, and Midland shall be returned to Abilene. All process issued against defendants residing in the counties of Glasscock, Sterling, Coke, Tom Green, Crockett, Schleicher, Sutton, Irion, Mills, Runnels, Coleman, and Brown shall be returned to San Angelo.

Transfer of pending actions.

SEC. 3. That all actions or proceedings now pending in the courts of said district against parties residing in either of the counties from which process is made returnable to the courts to be held at Fort Worth, San Angelo, and Abilene, respectively, may, on the application of either party to such actions or proceedings, be transferred to the court at which the said proceedings would be returnable, as provided in this Act; and in case of such transfer all papers and files therein, with

copies of all journal entries, shall be transferred to the office of the deputy clerk of the said court, and the same shall proceed in all respects as if originally commenced in said court.

SEC. 4. That there shall be appointed, in the manner required by law, a deputy clerk, who shall keep his office at the city of Fort Worth, and also one who shall keep his office at the city of Abilene, and also one who shall keep his office at the city of San Angelo.

SEC. 5. That no session of the said circuit court and district court of the northern district of the State of Texas shall be held at the city of Graham after this law shall take effect, and the records of said courts shall be removed from said town of Graham to the said town of Abilene, and the change of the places of holding the terms of the said courts as herein provided shall not affect the validity of any process or any bond or other obligation heretofore issued or made, and the same shall be held and taken as returnable and otherwise to the respective courts to which they would be returnable, as provided after this law takes effect.

Approved, June 11, 1896.

Deputy clerks.

Terms at Graham abolished.
Vol. 20, p. 310; Vol. 23, p. 48.

CHAP. 423.—An Act Making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for expenses of the House of Representatives, and for other purposes, for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

June 11, 1896.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the objects hereinafter expressed, for the service of the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-six, namely:

Deficiencies appropriations.

SENATE.

Senate.

To make the salaries of the clerks to the Committees on Revolutionary Claims and Corporations Organized in the District of Columbia, from the first day of January to the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, at the rate of twenty-one hundred dollars per annum, six hundred and sixty dollars.

Clerks to committees on Revolutionary Claims and Corporations in District of Columbia.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

House of Representatives.

For compensation and mileage of Members of the House of Representatives and Delegates from the Territories, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Compensation and mileage.

For miscellaneous items and expenses of special and select committees, twelve thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous, etc.

CAPITOL BUILDING.

Capitol.

For care of the Capitol grounds in repairing damages to trees, foliage, and planting, made necessary by recent storms, nine hundred dollars.

Repairing damages.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Treasury Department.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and is hereby, authorized to credit the appropriation for the "Revenue-Cutter Service, eighteen hundred and ninety-six," with a portion of the unexpended balance, not exceeding nine thousand dollars, of the appropriation for said Service, for the fiscal year ended June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and a portion of the unexpended balance, not exceeding eleven thousand dollars, of the appropriations for the "Refuge Station at Point Barrow, Alaska."

Revenue-Cutter Service.
Credit of balances.

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