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ests of navigation. Said bridge shall be constructed to provide for the passage of railway trains, whether operated by steam, electricity, or other motive power, and for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, street-railway cars, animals, foot passengers, and for all road travel for such reasonable rates of toll and under such reasonable rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the said company when approved from time to time by the Secretary of War: *Provided*, That the said company, or its successors and assigns, shall build and maintain at all times, as accessory works to said bridge, such booms, piers, dikes, guard fences, and similar devices as may be necessary, in the judgment of the Secretary of War, to insure at all times a permanent channel for a sufficient distance above and below the bridge site, and for the guiding of rafts, steamboats, and other water craft safely under said bridge: *Provided further*, That the said company, or its successors and assigns, shall maintain on said bridge, from sunset to sunrise, such lights and other signals as the Light-House Board shall prescribe: *And provided further*, That all railway companies and all street-railway companies desiring the use of said bridge shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges relative to the passage of railway trains, street-railway trains and cars over the same, and over approaches thereto, upon payment of a reasonable compensation for such use, and in case of disagreement, upon such terms and conditions as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of War upon hearing the allegations and proofs of the parties in interest."

Provisos.
Aids to navigation.

Lights, etc.

Use by other roads.

Compensation.

"SEC. 5. That any bridge built under this Act and subject to its limitations shall be a lawful structure, and shall be recognized and known as a post route, upon which also no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and the munitions of war of the United States than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railway, street railways, or public highways leading to said bridge, and it shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States; and equal privileges in the use of said bridge shall be granted to all telegraph and telephone companies, and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridge and its approaches for postal-telegraph purposes.

Lawful structure and post route.

Ante, p. 529, amended.

"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 April twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and five, and the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved."

Time of construction extended.

Ante, p. 529, amended.

Amendment.

Approved, February 15, 1905.

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[H. R. 18757.]

[Public, No. 71.]

CHAP. 576.—An Act Making an appropriation for clearing the Potomac River of ice.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of ten thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, payable from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated and from the revenues of the District of Columbia, in equal parts, for clearing the Potomac River of ice within the District of Columbia, to be available until used.

District of Columbia.
Appropriation to clear Potomac River of ice.

Approved, February 15, 1905.