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which said courts shall be held at Victoria, of which they shall make publication and give due notice.

Return of process, etc.

SEC. 3. That all civil process issued against persons resident in the above-named counties and cognizable before said courts shall be issued out of and made returnable to said courts at Victoria, and that all prosecutions against persons for offenses committed in any of said counties shall be tried in said courts at Victoria: *Provided*, That no civil cause begun and pending or any criminal offense committed prior to the passage of this Act shall be in any way affected by it.

Proviso. Pending causes, etc., not affected.

Office at Victoria.

SEC. 4. That the clerks of said courts of said district shall maintain an office in charge of themselves or a deputy, at said city of Victoria, which shall be kept open at all times for the transaction of business.

Approved, April 18, 1906.

April 18, 1906. [H. R. 16140.]

[Public, No. 109.]

CHAP. 1637.—An Act To authorize the maintaining and operating for toll an existing structure across Tugaloo River, known as Knox's bridge, at a point where said river is the boundary between the States of South Carolina and Georgia.

Tugaloo River, S. C. and Ga.

Tugaloo R. Knox, may maintain, etc., bridge across.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Tugaloo R. Knox and his assigns be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to maintain and operate the bridge known as Knox's bridge and the approaches thereto over and across the Tugaloo River where the same is the boundary between the States of South Carolina and Georgia, from a point in Hart County, Georgia, to a point in Center Township, Oconee County, South Carolina, for the passage of wagons, buggies, carriages, and vehicles of all kinds, animals, and foot passengers; and the said Tugaloo R. Knox and his assigns shall have the right to charge, collect, and receive therefor such reasonable rates of toll as may be permissible under local and State laws: *Provided*, That any change in said bridge which the Secretary of War may hereafter deem necessary and order in the interest of navigation shall be promptly made by the owners thereof at their own expense.

Location.

Wagon and foot bridge.

Toll.

Changes.

Post route.

SEC. 2. That the said bridge shall be recognized and known as a post-road, upon which no charge shall be made for the transportation over the same of the mails, troops, and munitions of war of the United States; and said bridge shall enjoy all the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States; and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridge and its approaches for postal, telegraph, and telephone purposes; and equal privileges in the use of said bridge shall be granted to all telegraph and telephone companies: *Provided*, That nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to repeal or modify any of the provisions of law now existing in reference to the protection of the navigation of rivers or to exempt said bridge from the operation of the same.

Telegraph, etc., rights.

Proviso. Existing laws not affected.

Amendment.

SEC. 3. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, April 18, 1906.

April 19, 1906. [H. R. 9165.]

[Public, No. 110.]

CHAP. 1639.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to issue patent to the Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran Little Missouri River congregation to certain lands for cemetery purposes.

Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran Little Missouri River congregation, S. Dak.

Land for cemetery purposes patented to.

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to issue patent to the Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran Little Missouri River congregation, for cemetery purposes, to the following-described land, to