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deeds, mortgages, and other instruments in writing as are authorized by the law of Oklahoma Territory affecting property within said reservation. And the deputy clerk of the district court located at the town of Pawhuska, on the said reservation, shall be ex officio register of deeds. As compensation for services the said recorder is hereby authorized to retain the fees legally collected by him for the recording of deeds and other instruments, up to and including the sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars per annum, and the fees collected by him shall be the same as are charged for like service in other recording districts in said Territory. Said recorder shall make monthly reports to the Secretary of the Interior of the fees collected by him, and said Secretary is hereby authorized to use such part of said fees as may be needed for the purchase of records, books, supplies, and expenses of said office. If the receipts of said office exceed the said sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars, the said excess shall be turned into the Treasury of the United States. This Act shall not be construed to in any way obligate the Government to pay the said recorder any deficiency below the sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars yearly.

Recorder at Pawhuska.

Compensation.

Reports.

Disposal of surplus fees.

SEC. 2. That all deeds, papers, and other instruments recorded by said recorder in the Osage Nation shall have the same effect, legally or otherwise, as if recorded in the recording office of any regularly organized county in the Oklahoma Territory: *Provided*, That this Act shall become inoperative when the Osage Reservation shall become an organized county of Oklahoma, and all records shall be turned over to the proper county officer whenever such county is organized.

Effect of recording deeds, etc.

Proviso.
Termination.

Approved, June 4, 1906.

CHAP. 2574.—An Act Permitting the building of a dam across the Mississippi River in the county of Morrison, State of Minnesota.

June 4, 1906.
[H. R. 17758.]

[Public, No. 193.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to The Pike Rapids Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, its successors or assigns, to construct and maintain across the Mississippi River a dam, canal, and works necessary incident thereto for water power and supply purposes at any point between section twenty, township one hundred and twenty-eight north, range twenty-nine west, and section seventeen, in township thirty-nine, range thirty-two, in Morrison County, Minnesota: *Provided*, That the plans for the construction of said dam and appurtenant works shall be submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War before the commencement of the construction of the same: *And provided further*, That the said The Pike Rapids Power Company, its successors or assigns, shall not deviate from such plans after such approval, either before or after the completion of said structures, unless the modifications of such plans shall have previously been submitted to and received the approval of the Chief of Engineers and of the Secretary of War: *And provided further*, That there shall be placed and maintained in connection with said dam a sluiceway so arranged as to permit logs, timber, and lumber to pass around, through, and over said dam without unreasonable delay or hindrance, and without toll or charges: *And provided further*, That the dam shall be so constructed that the Government of the United States may at any time construct in connection therewith a suitable lock for navigation purposes, and may at any time, without compensation, control the said dam so far as shall be necessary for the purposes of navigation, but shall not destroy the water power developed by said dam and structures to any greater extent than may be necessary to provide proper facilities for navigation, and that the Secretary

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of War may at any time require and enforce, at the expense of the owners, such modifications and changes in the construction of said dam as he may deem advisable in the interests of navigation.

Fishways.

SEC. 2. That suitable fishways, to be approved by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, shall be constructed and maintained at said dam by said corporation, its successors or assigns.

Litigation.

SEC. 3. That in case any litigation arises from the building of said dam, or from the obstruction of said river by said dam or appurtenant works, cases may be tried in the proper courts as now provided for that purpose in the State of Minnesota, or in the courts of the United States: *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 structures from the operation of same.

Existing law not affected.

Amendment.

Time of completion. *Post*, p. 1220.

SEC. 4. That the right to amend, alter, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved; and the same shall become null and void unless the construction of the dam hereby authorized is commenced within one year after the passage of this Act and completed within three years thereafter.

Approved, June 4, 1906.

June 4, 1906.
[H. R. 18026.]

[Public, No. 194.]

CHAP. 2575.—An Act Permitting the building of a dam across the Mississippi River near the city of Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota.

Mississippi River. William R. Morrison and H. W. Haines may dam, near Bemidji, Minn.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to William R. Morrison and H. W. Haines to build a dam across the Mississippi River near the city of Bemidji, Minnesota, between the point where the same crosses the west line of township one hundred and forty-five, range thirty-five, and the point where said river crosses the north line of said township in Hubbard County, Minnesota, for the development of water power and such works and structures in connection therewith as may be necessary or convenient in the development of such power and in the utilization of the power thereby developed: *Provided*, That the plans for the construction of said dam and appurtenant works shall be submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War before the commencement of the construction of the same: *And provided further*, That the said William R. Morrison and H. W. Haines, their heirs, administrators, and assigns, shall not deviate from such plans after such approval, either before or after the completion of said structure, unless the modification of said plans shall have previously been submitted to and received the approval of the Chief of Engineers and of the Secretary of War: *And provided further*, That there shall be placed and maintained in connection with said dam a sluiceway, so arranged as to permit logs, timber, and lumber to pass around, through, or over said dam without unreasonable delay or hindrance and without toll or charges: *And provided further*, That the dam shall be so constructed that the Government of the United States may at any time construct in connection therewith a suitable lock for navigation purposes, and may at any time, without compensation, control the said dam so far as shall be necessary for purposes of navigation, but shall not destroy the water power developed by said dam and structures to any greater extent than may be necessary to provide proper facilities for navigation; and that the Secretary of War may at any time require and enforce, at the expense of the owners, such modifications and changes in the construction of such a dam as he may deem advisable in the interests of navigation: *And provided further*, That suitable

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Changes.

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Fishways and lights.