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CHAP. 3628.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act authorizing the condemnation of lands or easements needed in connection with works of river and harbor improvement at the expense of persons, companies, or corporations," approved May sixteenth, nineteen hundred and six.

Rivers and harbors.
Condemnation of land for improvement of.
Ante, p. 196, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an Act entitled "An Act authorizing the condemnation of lands or easements needed in connection with works of river and harbor improvement at the expense of persons, companies, or corporations," approved May sixteenth, nineteen hundred and six, be amended so as to read as follows:

Securing land, etc., by private parties.

"That whenever any person, company, or corporation, municipal or private, shall undertake to secure any land or easement therein, needed in connection with a work of river and harbor improvement duly authorized by Congress, for the purpose of conveying the same to the United States free of cost, or for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and operating locks, dry docks, or other works to be conveyed to the United States free of cost, and of constructing, maintaining and operating dams for use in connection therewith, and shall be unable for any reason to obtain the same by purchase and acquire a valid title thereto, the Secretary of War may, in his discretion, cause proceedings to be instituted in the name of the United States for the acquirement by condemnation of said land or easement, and it shall be the duty of the Attorney-General of the United States to institute and conduct such proceedings upon the request of the Secretary of War: *Provided*, That all expenses of said proceedings and any award that may be made thereunder shall be paid by the said person, company, or corporation, to secure which payment the Secretary of War may require the said person, company, or corporation to execute a proper bond in such amount as he may deem necessary before said proceedings are commenced."

Construction, etc., of dams, locks, etc.

Proceedings.

Proviso.
Expenses.

Bond.

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CHAP. 3906.—An Act To authorize the appointment of Acting Assistant Surgeon Reuben A. Campbell, United States Navy, as an assistant surgeon in the United States Navy.

Navy.
Reuben A. Campbell.
Appointment as assistant surgeon, authorized.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint Acting Assistant Surgeon Reuben A. Campbell, United States Navy, as an assistant surgeon in the United States Navy with the rank of lieutenant (junior grade), to take rank and position at the foot of the list, whenever, before the expiration of his present acting commission, he shall successfully pass the examination prescribed by law for the appointment of medical officers of this grade.

Approved, June 30, 1906.

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CHAP. 3907.—An Act For the relief of James H. Oliver, a commander on the retired list of the United States Navy.

Navy.
James H. Oliver.
Appointment as commander on active list, authorized.
Provisos.
Examination.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint James H. Oliver, now a commander on the retired list of the United States Navy, to the grade of commander on the active list of the United States Navy: *Provided*, That the said James H. Oliver shall establish to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Navy, by examination pursuant to law, his physical,