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all to be within such rights as it possesses and not in any way affecting or contravening any vested rights of any other company or person or the rights of the Government, provided said company carry out the requirements of law.

License exemption.

Second. Said company shall be exempt from license tax during the period of construction and for four years thereafter: *Provided*, That the total period of exemption shall not exceed ten years from the time of the passage of this Act: *And provided further*, That this exemption shall exist and operate only during the continuance of the construction of said road in good faith, and in the event of unnecessary delay and failure in the construction and completion of said road the exemption from taxation herein provided shall cease and said tax shall be collectible as to so much of said road as shall have been completed.

Provisos.
Time.

Condition.

Amendment.

Third. Congress reserves the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act.

Approved, February 21, 1907.

February 21, 1907.
[S. 7372.]

[Public, No. 106.]

CHAP. 1183.—An Act To authorize the acceptance by the Secretary of the Navy, as a gift, of a sail boat for use of the midshipmen at the Naval Academy.

Naval Academy.
Acceptance of sailboat for midshipmen.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to accept as a gift, from a member of the family of the late Assistant Naval Constructor Joseph E. McDonald, a sail boat for the use of the midshipmen at the Naval Academy.

Approved, February 21, 1907.

February 22, 1907.
[H. R. 24538.]

[Public, No. 107.]

CHAP. 1184.—An Act Making appropriations for the diplomatic and consular service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight.

Diplomatic and consular appropriations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, severally appropriated, in full compensation for the diplomatic and consular service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the objects hereinafter expressed, namely:

Schedule A.

SCHEDULE A.

Salaries.

SALARIES OF AMBASSADORS AND MINISTERS.

Ambassadors.

Ambassadors extraordinary and plenipotentiary to Austria-Hungary, Brazil, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Russia, and Turkey, at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars each, one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars;

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary.

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to the Argentine Republic, Belgium, China, Cuba, the Netherlands and Luxemburg, and Spain, at twelve thousand dollars each, seventy-two thousand dollars;

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Chile, Colombia, Guatemala, Panama, Peru, and Venezuela, at ten thousand dollars each, sixty thousand dollars;

Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Nicaragua and Costa Rica, ten thousand dollars;

Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Honduras and Salvador, ten thousand dollars;