sury shall adjudicate and decide such claims as may be presented against the United States, under the provisions of this act, *Provided*, That every claim which exceeds the sum of two hundred dollars, instead of deciding the same, the said third auditor shall report the whole of the proof to Congress at its next session after taking and closing such proof; and he shall have power by constituting a commission or otherwise, to take testimony in any case where he shall think the interests of the United States require further testimony to be taken.

Third auditor to adjudicate claims.
Proviso.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That any sum of money to any amount not exceeding two hundred dollars so allowed by said third auditor shall be paid by the Secretary of the Treasury, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Amount allowed by auditor to be paid, if not exceeding $200.

Approved, June 30, 1834.

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June 30, 1834.

Chap. CLV.—*An Act authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Potomac, and repealing all acts already passed in relation thereto.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the act, entitled "An act providing for the purchase by the United States of the rights of the Washington Bridge Company, in the District of Columbia, and for the erection of a public bridge on the site thereof," which passed the fourteenth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, and the act entitled "An act in relation to the Potomac bridge," which passed the second day of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, be, and the same are hereby repealed, except so much of the former as authorized the purchase of the rights of the Washington Bridge Company.

Former acts repealed, except so much as authorized a purchase from the Washington Bridge Comp.
Act of 1832, ch. 225.
Act of 1833, ch. 65.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and required, to contract for the reconstruction, on the site of the present bridge, across the river Potomac, of a bridge, on the plan of that originally constructed there by the Washington Bridge Company: *Provided*, That the draw at the southern channel of the river be not less than sixty-six feet, and at the northern channel than thirty-five feet; that a space or spaces not exceeding in all, one thousand six hundred and sixty feet of the shoal or shoals, over which the present bridge passes, may be filled up by a solid embankment; in part, if convenient, of earth obtained by dredging the river channel: *And provided, also*, That the entire cost of said embankment, and such reconstruction shall not on the whole exceed one hundred and thirty thousand dollars, which sum is hereby appropriated thereto, out of any money in the treasury not hitherto appropriated.

Secretary of Treasury to contract for bridge similar to that formerly built.
Size of draws.
Appropriation.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the claims of Orange H. Dibble, for labour, materials, or any other expenses upon the said bridge, be ascertained by the Secretary of the Treasury, as nearly as the same can be done, and be laid before Congress at its next session for its examination. And the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to pay him in the mean time such sum as will reimburse to him the actual loss incurred by him, in making preparation for the construction of the said bridge: *Provided*, The amount paid shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars, said payment to be made out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Claims of O. H. Dibble to be ascertained and actual loss paid, if not exceeding $20,000.

Approved, June 30, 1834.

Statute I.
June 30, 1834.

Chap. CLVI.—*An Act to authorize the sale of lots in the town of St. Mark's, in Florida.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the President of the United

Register and receiver to sell.

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