

Proviso.
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volving an expenditure exceeding the said sum of one hundred thousand dollars for site and building; and the site purchased shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least fifty feet, including streets and alleys: *Provided*, That no part of said sum shall be expended until a valid title to the said site shall be vested in the United States, nor until the States of Arkansas and Texas each shall cede to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and the service of civil process therein.

To be on boundary line.

SEC. 2. That said building shall be constructed across said boundary line between said States in such manner as to provide for all necessary Government offices and for a post-office delivery in each of the States of Arkansas and Texas, and also to provide on the Arkansas side suitable apartments for holding the terms of the United States courts now required to be holden.

Approved, April 19, 1888.

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CHAP. 129.—An act to change the time of the sessions of the circuit and district courts of the northern division of the eastern district of Missouri.

Missouri.
Terms of court,
northern division,
eastern district.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sessions of the circuit and district courts of the United States for the northern division of the eastern district of Missouri, at the city of Hannibal, shall begin and be held on the fourth Monday of May and the first Monday of December of each year. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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Pending causes.

SEC. 2. That all process issued from the clerk's office of said courts, and all recognizances taken therein, shall be taken and considered as returnable to the term or terms hereby established in lieu of the term or terms existing at the time such process was issued or such recognizances were taken.

Approved, April 19, 1888.

April 30, 1888.

CHAP. 137.—An act authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Tennessee River at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Chattanooga Bridge
Company may bridge
Tennessee River at
Chattanooga, Tenn.

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 given to the Chattanooga Bridge Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Tennessee, having its principal office at Chattanooga, in said State, and to its successors or assigns, to build, construct, and maintain a bridge, as hereinafter described, across the Tennessee River at Chattanooga, in the State of Tennessee, the southern terminus of said bridge to be at some point between the west line of Market street and the east line of Georgia avenue of said city, and the bridge to be constructed at right angles to said stream to a point on the north side thereof. Said bridge shall be constructed to provide for the passage of street cars, wagons, and vehicles, and the transit of animals and foot-passengers, and equal facilities for passage across said bridge shall be afforded to all wagons and vehicles and the cars of all street car companies.

Street car, wagon,
and foot bridge.

To be lawful structure and post-route.

SEC. 2. That any bridge built under this act and subject to its limitations shall be a lawful structure, and shall be recognized and known as a post-route, upon which no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, troops, and munitions of war of the United States than the rate per mile paid for the transporta-