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CHAP. 237.—An act for the construction of a building for the use of the United States at Toledo, Ohio.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to purchase, at private sale or by condemnation in pursuance of the statute of Ohio, a suitable lot of ground contiguous to the land now owned and occupied as a post-office site by the United States in the city of Toledo, State of Ohio, and to cause to be erected on the grounds, as enlarged by the purchase aforesaid, a building suitable for the accommodation of the courts of the United States, and of the custom-house, bonded warehouse, and other government offices in that city; and for the purposes herein mentioned the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury. The lot of land to be purchased, and the building hereby authorized to be constructed, when completed, upon plans to be previously made and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall not exceed the cost of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars: Provided, That no money to be appropriated for this purpose shall be available until a valid title shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Ohio shall cede its jurisdiction over the same and relinquish the right to tax or assess the same while the United States shall be owners thereof. And the site shall be of sufficient extent to leave an open space upon the east side of the building to be erected including the alley of at least twenty-five feet and upon the other sides, including streets and alleys of at least fifty feet.

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CHAP. 238.—An act to authorize the Mississippi River Logging Company to construct and operate sheer-booms at or near Straight Slough.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for the Mississippi River Logging Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Iowa, to construct and operate in conformity with plans to be approved by the Secretary of War sheer-booms in the Mississippi River, at or above the head of Rollingstone Slough and below the mouth of the Chippewa River, for the purpose of sheering logs that may escape and float out of the Chippewa River and into the Mississippi River from the main channel of said river into Rollingstone or Straight Slough: Provided, That said sheer-booms shall not be constructed until the plans and location of the same are submitted to the Secretary of War and receive his approval or so constructed as to interfere with or obstruct navigation: And provided further, That if, after said sheer-booms are so constructed, in the opinion of the Secretary of War they interfere with or obstruct navigation, he may order them removed or modified, and the said Mississippi River Logging Company shall be required to remove the same without cost to the United States.

Piers and booms.

SEC. 2. That the said Mississippi River Logging Company are hereby authorized to construct, in Rollingstone or Straight Slough, such piers and booms as they shall deem necessary for the purpose of securing, holding, sluicing; and rafting logs that may float into said slough.

Right of repeal and amendment reserved.

SEC. 3. That this act may be altered, amended, or repealed at any time; and in case of such alteration, amendment, or repeal, it is expressly provided that the United States shall not be liable for any damages that may be sustained by reason thereof.

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