

SEC. 3. That any bridge constructed under the provisions of this act shall have one pivot draw-bridge over the ship-canal connecting Lakes Huron and Superior, convenient for the passage of ships, vessels, and steamboats, and of the entire width of said canal, clear of all obstructions of every kind from said bridge, and twenty five feet additional over the tow-path on either side whenever said draw is open; said draw-bridge to be of such length as to conform to these conditions, and the said bridge shall not be less than ten feet high above high-water mark in said canal, measuring to the bottom chord of the bridge; and the said draw shall be opened promptly, upon reasonable signal, for the passage of boats and vessels, except when trains are passing over the same, but in no case shall unnecessary delay occur in opening said draw during or after the passage of trains; and the operation or working of said drawbridge shall at all times be under the supervision of the Secretary of War, and shall be subject to such rules and regulations as he may prescribe.

Draw-bridge over ship-canal between Lakes Huron and Superior.

Regulations for operating draw-bridge; under supervision of Secretary of War.

SEC. 4. That any bridge constructed under this act, and according to its limitations, shall be a lawful structure and shall be recognized and known as a post-route, upon which also no higher charge shall be made for the transportation over the same of the mails of the United States, or for passengers or freight passing over said bridge, than the rate per mile paid for their transportation over the railroads or public highways leading to said bridge.

Declared a lawful structure and post-route.

Charges for transportation of mails, etc.

SEC. 5. That said bridge company shall have the right to locate, hold, and possess said post-route and bridge and right of way for the width which the length of the draw-bridge will require for space to swing in. It shall also be lawful to place ice-breakers or piers above the said bridge in said river, for the safety and protection of said bridge: *Provided*, That the rights of navigation and of private parties be in all cases respected.

Ice-breakers or piers.

*Proviso.*

SEC. 6. That any bridge constructed under the provisions of this act may be constructed not only for the purposes of railroad business, but also for travel of persons, horses, teams, and carriages, in which case the said company or corporation may charge reasonable toll therefor, subject to regulation and revision from time to time by the Secretary of War of the United States.

Tolls for travel of persons, etc.

SEC. 7. That all railway companies desiring to use the said bridge shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges in the passage of the same, and in the use of the machinery and fixtures thereof, and of all approaches thereto, under and upon such reasonable terms and conditions and subject to such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of War of the United States, upon hearing the allegations and proofs of the parties, in case the parties themselves be unable to agree. *Provided*, That the provisions of section four in regard to charges for passengers and freight across said bridge shall not govern the Secretary of War in determining any question arising as to the sum or sums to be paid to the owners of said bridge by said companies for the use of said bridge.

Secretary of War to hear and determine cases of disagreement.

*Proviso.*

SEC. 8. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved. And the right to require any changes in said structure or its entire removal at the expense of the owners thereof whenever Congress shall decide that the public interest requires it, is also expressly reserved.

Special rights of United States reserved.

Approved, July 8, 1882.

CHAP. 282.—An act to authorize the sale of certain lots in the city of Hot Springs Arkansas, to the Woman's Christian National Library Association.

July 8, 1882.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Woman's Christian National Library Association, incorporated under the laws of the State

Sale of lots at Hot Springs, Ark., to Woman's Christian National Library Association.

tian National Library Association.

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of Arkansas, be authorized and entitled to enter and purchase within six months next after the passage of this act, for the uses and purposes of such association, lots numbered eleven and twelve in block numbered one hundred and twenty-seven, in the city of Hot Springs, Arkansas, now subject to sale under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, by paying to the receiver of public moneys, at the land-office at Little Rock, Arkansas, the assessed value of said lots as placed thereon by the commissioners appointed under the acts of Congress of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven and eighteen hundred and seventy-eight.

Approved, July 8, 1882.

July 8, 1882.

**CHAP. 283.**—An act to authorize the construction of bridges over the rivers Saint Marys, Satella, Little Satella and Crooked, in the States of Georgia and Florida.

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

Bridges over the rivers Saint Marys, Satella, Little Satella, and Crooked, in States of Georgia and Florida.

**SEC. 1.** That the Fernandina and Jacksonville Railroad Company, and the East Georgia and Florida Railroad Company be, and are hereby, authorized, to construct a bridge over the river Saint Marys in the County of Camden and State of Georgia, and in the county of Nassau and State of Florida, at the point where said railroads cross said river.

**SEC. 2** That the East Georgia and Florida Railroad Company be, and is hereby, authorized to construct a bridge over the river Satella, in the county of Camden, in the State of Georgia, at the point where said railroad crosses said river.

**SEC. 3.** That said bridges shall be so constructed either by draw span, or otherwise, so that a free and unobstructed passage may be secured to all vessels and other water craft navigating said rivers.

**SEC. 4.** That the said East Georgia and Florida Railroad Company be, and is hereby, authorized to construct fixed bridges over the Little Satella river between the counties of Camden and Glynn, and over Crooked River in the county of Camden in said State of Georgia at the points selected by said company where said railroad crosses said rivers, with one span, and to make said bridges of such height as they may see fit, *Provided* That the height be sufficient to permit the passage of timber-rafts and other vessels navigating said rivers under said bridges.

**SEC. 5.** 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 also no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and the munitions of war of the United States, or passengers or freight passing over said bridge, than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railroads or public highways leading to the said bridge; and it shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States.

**SEC. 6.** That if any of the said bridges authorized to be constructed by this act shall be constructed as a draw bridge, the draw shall be opened promptly upon reasonable signal for the passage of boats, and said company or corporation shall maintain at its own expense from sunset till sunrise such lights or other signals on said bridge or bridges, as the Light-House Board shall prescribe. No bridge shall be erected or maintained under the authority of this act which shall at any time substantially or materially obstruct the free navigation of said river, and if any bridge erected under such authority, shall in the opinion of the Secretary of War obstruct such navigation, he is hereby authorized to cause such change or alteration of said bridge to be made, as will effectually obviate such obstruction, and all such obstructions shall be removed,

Free navigation preserved.

*Proviso.*

Declared a lawful structure and a post-route.

Charge for transmission of mails, etc.

Draw-bridge.

Lights.

Not to obstruct navigation.