

**Title.** for this purpose shall be available until a valid title to the site of said building shall be vested in the United States, and until the State of Minnesota shall have ceded 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 any civil process therein.

**Appropriation.** SEC. 2. That the sum of sixty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, to be used and expended in the purchase of said site and towards the construction of said building.

Approved, April 11, 1882.

Apr. 11, 1882.

**CHAP. 76.**—An act for the erection of a public building at Columbus, Ohio.

**Public building,  
Columbus, Ohio.  
Purchase of site.**

*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 he hereby is, authorized and directed to purchase a suitable site, and cause to be erected thereon, at Columbus in the State of Ohio, a substantial and commodious public building, with fire-proof vaults, for the use and accommodation of the United States district and circuit courts, internal-revenue and pension offices, post-office, and other government uses. The site, and the building thereon, when completed according to plans and specifications to be previously made and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall not exceed the cost of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and the site purchased shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings by an open space of at least fifty feet, including streets and alleys; and for the purposes herein mentioned the sum of one hundred 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: *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 and the State of Ohio shall cede to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owners thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and the service of any civil process therein.

**Cost.**

**Appropriation.**

**Proviso.**

**Title.**

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**CHAP. 77.**—An act appropriating twenty thousand dollars for the purchase and distribution of seeds.

**Purchase and  
distribution of  
seeds to people in  
localities over-  
flowed by overflow  
of Mississippi  
River.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for the purchase and distribution of seeds, under the direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture, to the people in localities overflowed, who are made destitute by the present overflow of the Mississippi River and its tributaries.

Approved, April 11, 1882.

Apr. 14, 1882.

**CHAP. 79.**—An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Missouri River at the most accessible point within five miles above the city of Saint Charles, Missouri.

**Saint Louis, Han-  
nibal and Keokuk  
Railroad Company**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Saint Louis Hannibal and Keokuk Railroad Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Missouri, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct and

maintain a bridge and approaches thereto over the Missouri River at the most accessible point within five miles above the city of Saint Charles, in the county of Saint Charles and State of Missouri. Said bridge shall be constructed to provide for the passage of railway trains, and, at the option of the corporation by which it may be built, may be used for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot-passengers, for such reasonable rates of toll as may be approved from time to time by the Secretary of War.

to construct a bridge over Missouri River.

Toll, how rated.

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 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 for passengers and freight passing over said bridge, than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railroad or public highways leading to the said bridge; and it shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States.

Postroute, and a lawful structure.

SEC. 3. That if said bridge shall be made with unbroken and continuous spans, the spans thereof shall not be less than three hundred feet in length in the clear, and the main span shall be over the main channel of the river. The lowest part of the superstructure of said bridge shall be at least fifty feet above extreme high-water mark, as understood at the point of location, and the bridge shall be at right angles to, and its piers parallel with, the current of the river: *Provided*, That if the same shall be constructed as a draw-bridge the draw or pivot shall be over the main channel of the river at an accessible point, and the spans shall not be less than one hundred and sixty feet in length in the clear, and the piers of said bridge shall be parallel with, and the bridge itself at right angles to, the current of the river, and the spans shall not be less than ten feet above extreme high-water mark, as understood at the point of location, to the lowest part of the superstructure of said bridge: *Provided also*, That said draw shall be opened promptly by said company 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 as the Light-House Board shall prescribe. No bridge shall be erected or maintend 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 alterations shall be made and all such obstructions be removed at the expense of the owner or owners of said bridge. And in case of any litigation arising from any obstruction or alleged obstruction to the free navigation of said river, caused or alleged to be caused by said bridge, the case may be brought in the district court of the United States of the State of Missouri in which any portion of said obstruction or bridge may be located: *Provided further*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to repeal or modify any of the provisions of law now existing in reference to the protection of the navigation of rivers, or to exempt this bridge from the operation of the same.

Spans.

*Proviso.*  
Draw.

*Proviso.*

Lights.

Free navigation to be maintained.

*Proviso.*

SEC. 4. That all railroad companies desiring the use of said bridge shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges relative to the passage of railway trains or cars over the same, and over the approaches thereto, upon payment of a reasonable compensation for such use; and in case the owner or owners of said bridge and the several railroad companies, or any one of them, desiring such use shall fail to agree upon the sum or sums to be paid, and upon rules and conditions to which each shall conform in using said bridge, all matters at issue between them shall be decided by the Secretary of War upon a hearing of the allegations and proofs of the parties: *Provided*, That the provisions of section two in regard to charges for passengers and freight across said bridge shall not govern the Secretary of War in determining any ques-

All railroad companies to have equal rights.

Secretary of War to decide upon disagreement.  
*Proviso.*

bridge shall not govern the Secretary of War in determining any ques-

tion 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.

Design and drawings submitted to Secretary of War for approval.

SEC. 5. That any bridge authorized to be constructed under this act shall be built and located under and subject to such regulations for the security of navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe; and to secure that object the said company or corporation shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, a design and drawings of the bridge, and a map of the location, giving, for the space of one mile above and one mile below the proposed location, the topography of the banks of the river, the shore-lines at high and low water, the direction and strength of the currents at all stages, and the soundings, accurately showing the bed of the stream, the location of any other bridge or bridges, and shall furnish such other information as may be required for a full and satisfactory understanding of the subject; and until the said plan and location of the bridge are approved by the Secretary of War the bridge shall not be built; and should any change be made in the plan of said bridge during the progress of construction, such change shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War.

Plan and location to be approved by Secretary of War.

Right to alter, amend, or repeal provisions of act reserved.

SEC. 6. 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.

Approved, April 14, 1882.

Apr. 15, 1882.

CHAP. 80.—An act to provide additional accommodations for the Department of the Interior.

Appropriation.

Additional accommodations for Pension and Land Offices at Washington, D. C.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be, and hereby is, appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of enabling the Secretary of the Interior to rent or lease from year to year a suitable building or buildings for additional accommodations for the Pension Office and Land Office Department of the Interior.

Approved, April 15, 1882.

Apr. 17, 1882.

CHAP. 82.—An act making appropriations to supply a deficiency for dies, paper and stamps for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and eighty-two, and to continue work on the Washington Monument for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and eighty-three, and for other purposes.

Deficiency appropriations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the following sums for the purposes hereinafter mentioned:

Dies, paper, stamps.

For dies, paper, and stamps, one hundred and seventy thousand dollars being a deficiency for the service of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two; and not exceeding seven thousand dollars of this amount may be expended in the payment of persons employed in connection with the manufacture of paper and the production of stamps, and their custody and care.

Material for Washington Monument.

For marble, granite, iron frame-work, machinery, tools, labor, office expenses, and for each and every purpose connected with the completion of the Washington Monument, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, being for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-three.

Distinctive paper, etc.

For distinctive paper for United States securities including mill expenses, transportation, examination, counting and delivery being a