

<p>Proving and testing guns.</p>	<p>For transporting, mounting, proving, and testing guns, including small-arms constructed at private expense, said expenditure to be made in the discretion of the Secretary of War, fifteen thousand dollars.</p>
<p>Metallic ammunition.</p>	<p>For manufacture of metallic ammunition for small arms, one hundred thousand dollars.</p>
<p>Target practice.</p>	<p>For ammunition, tools, and material for target practice, twenty-five thousand dollars.</p>
<p>Mounting, etc., guns.</p>	<p>For mounting and dismounting guns and removing the armament from forts being modified or repaired, including heavy carriages returned to arsenals for alteration and repairs, and other necessary expenses of the same character, and for repairing ordnance and ordnance stores in the hands of troops and for issue at the arsenals and depots,</p>
<p>Extra-duty pay.</p>	<p>and for extra-duty pay for enlisted men detailed for ordnance service, twenty-five thousand dollars.</p>
<p>Ordnance stores.</p>	<p>For purchase and manufacture of ordnance stores, to fill requisitions of troops, one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars.</p>
<p>Infantry, etc., equipments.</p>	<p>For infantry, cavalry, and artillery equipments, consisting of clothing-bags, haversacks, canteens, and great-coat straps, and repairing horse equipments for cavalry troops, seventy-five thousand dollars.</p>
<p>Preservation of ordnance stores.</p>	<p>For horse equipments for cavalry, harness for field and machine guns, and for cavalry forge-carts, forty thousand dollars.</p>
<p>Manufacture of arms.</p>	<p>For overhauling, cleaning, and preserving new ordnance stores on hand at the arsenals, twenty thousand dollars.</p>
<p><i>Proviso.</i></p>	<p>For manufacture of arms at national armories, four hundred thousand dollars: <i>Provided</i>, That not more than fifty thousand dollars of this amount may be expended by the Secretary of War in the manufacture or purchase of magazine guns selected by the board of officers heretofore appointed by the Secretary of War: <i>Provided</i>, That not more than sixty-five thousand dollars of the money appropriated for the Ordnance Department, in all its branches, shall be applied to the payment of civilian clerks in said department.</p>
<p><i>Proviso.</i></p>	<p>UNITED STATES TESTING-MACHINE.—For caring for, preserving, testing machine. using, and operating the United States testing-machine at the Watertown Arsenal, ten thousand dollars: <i>Provided</i>, That the tests of iron and steel and other materials for industrial purposes shall be continued during the next fiscal year, and report thereof shall be made to Congress: <i>And provided further</i>, That in making tests for private citizens the officer in charge may require payment in advance, and may use the funds so received in making such private tests, making full report thereof to the Chief of Ordnance; and the Chief of Ordnance shall give attention to such programme of tests as may be submitted by the American Society of Civil Engineers, and the record of such tests shall be furnished said society, to be by them published at their own expense.</p>
<p>Tests, etc., for private citizens.</p>	<p>SEC. 2. That all officers, agents or other persons receiving public moneys appropriated by this act shall account for the disbursement thereof according to the several and distinct items of appropriation herein expressed.</p>
<p>American Society, Civil Engineers.</p>	<p>Approved, March 3, 1883.</p>
<p>Disbursement of money as appropriated.</p>	

Mar. 3, 1883.

CHAP. 94.—An act “to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Thames River, near New London in the State of Connecticut, and declare it a post-route”

Construction of bridge across Thames River, Conn. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the bridge across the Thames River, not below Winthrop's Point, and also across any inlet thereof, in the State of Connecticut, to be constructed under and by virtue of joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Connecticut entitled “A resolution authorizing the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company to bridge the Thames River, and to extend its lines”, passed at its January session, eighteen hundred and eighty-two,

is hereby declared to be, when completed in accordance with the aforesaid joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Connecticut, a lawful structure and a post-route for the conveyance of the mails of the United States: *Provided*, That 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 railroads leading to the said bridge; and it shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States: *And provided further*, That the said bridge shall be built with a pivot-draw, not less than five hundred feet in length, and so as to not practically interfere with the navigation of said river for commercial or naval purposes, or the usefulness and efficiency of the navy-yard upon the same. In order to secure a compliance with these conditions, the said New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company, previous to commencing the construction of said bridge, shall submit to the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy of the United States a plan of said bridge, and of the location thereof, with a detailed map of the river at the proposed site of said bridge, and for the distance of a mile above and below such site, exhibiting such information touching said bridge and river as may be deemed requisite by said Secretary of War and said Secretary of the Navy to determine whether the said bridge, when built, will conform to the prescribed conditions of this act, to not practically interfere with the navigation of said river for commercial and naval purposes, or the usefulness and efficiency of the navy-yard upon the same.

Declared a lawful structure and post-route.
Proviso.

Proviso.
Pivot-draw.

Plan of bridge and location submitted to Secretary of War and Navy, for approval.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy are hereby authorized and directed, upon receiving said plan and map and other information, and on the application of said railroad company, to designate a board of competent Army and Navy officers to examine such plan and location, and if, in the opinion of said board, such plan and location, or any modification thereof, will not practically interfere with the navigation of said river for commercial or naval purposes, or the usefulness and efficiency of the navy-yard upon the same, said board is hereby authorized to approve the same. The approval of said board shall be filed with the Secretary of War, and upon the filing thereof it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War, in writing, to notify said railroad company thereof; and, upon receiving such notification, the said company may proceed to the erection of said bridge, conforming strictly to such approved plan and location. Until the said board, so appointed as aforesaid, shall approve the plan and location of said bridge, and the Secretary of War shall, in writing, notify said railroad company of the same, said bridge shall not be built or commenced. And the said bridge shall be at all times so kept and managed as to offer reasonable and proper means for the passage of vessels through said structure; and to secure the safe passage of vessels at night there shall be displayed on said bridge, from the hour of sunset to that of sunrise, such lights as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War.

Board to examine and report on plans, etc.

Approval of Board.

Lights and signals.

SEC. 3. 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 one 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.

Equal rights and privileges to other railroads.

Compensation.

Proviso.

Right of repeal,
etc., reserved.

SEC. 4. 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, March 3, 1883.

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CHAP. 95.—An act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the Government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, and for other purposes.

District of Co-
lumbia.
Appropriations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the half of the following sums named, respectively, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the other half out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, for the purposes following, being the estimated expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, namely:

GENERAL EXPENSES.

FOR SALARIES AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

- Commissioners.** For executive office: For two Commissioners, at five thousand dollars each; one Engineer Commissioner, one thousand one hundred and sixty one dollars and fifty cents (to make salary five thousand dollars);
- Secretary.
Clerks.** one secretary, two thousand one hundred and sixty dollars; one clerk, one thousand five hundred dollars; one clerk, at one thousand four hundred dollars; one clerk, one thousand two hundred dollars; one messenger, six hundred dollars; one driver, four hundred and eighty dollars; for contingent expenses, including printing, books, stationery, and miscellaneous items, two thousand six hundred dollars; in all, twenty-one thousand one hundred and forty-one dollars and fifty cents.
- Contingent ex-
penses.** For assessor's office: For one assessor, three thousand dollars; two assistant assessors, at one thousand six hundred dollars each; one license clerk, one thousand two hundred dollars; one inspector of licenses, one thousand two hundred dollars; one messenger, six hundred dollars; for temporary clerk hire, two thousand four hundred dollars; for contingent expenses, including printing, books, stationery, detection of frauds on the revenue, and miscellaneous items, one thousand dollars; in all, twelve thousand six hundred dollars.
- Assessor, assist-
ants, clerk, and
others.** For collector's office: For one collector, four thousand dollars; one cashier, one thousand eight hundred dollars; one bookkeeper, one thousand six hundred dollars; four clerks, at one thousand four hundred dollars each; one clerk, one thousand two hundred dollars; temporary clerks, one thousand seven hundred dollars; one messenger, six hundred dollars; for contingent expenses, including printing, books, stationery, and miscellaneous items, eight hundred dollars; in all, seventeen thousand three hundred dollars.
- Collector, cash-
ier, clerks, and
others.** For auditor and comptroller's office: For one auditor and comptroller, three thousand dollars; one bookkeeper, one thousand eight hundred dollars; one clerk, one thousand six hundred dollars; three clerks, at one thousand four hundred dollars each; one clerk, one thousand two hundred dollars; one messenger, six hundred dollars; for contingent expenses, including books, stationery, and miscellaneous items, three hundred dollars; in all, twelve thousand seven hundred dollars.
- Contingent ex-
penses.** For auditor and comptroller's office: For one auditor and comptroller, three thousand dollars; one bookkeeper, one thousand eight hundred dollars; one clerk, one thousand six hundred dollars; three clerks, at one thousand four hundred dollars each; one clerk, one thousand two hundred dollars; one messenger, six hundred dollars; for contingent expenses, including books, stationery, and miscellaneous items, three hundred dollars; in all, twelve thousand seven hundred dollars.
- Auditor and
comptroller, clerks,
etc.** For temporary clerk-hire to enable the auditor to bring up the books and arrange the records of his office, and to audit the books of the collector, two thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, which shall be available immediately.
- Temporary clerks.**