the interests of navigation be not injured thereby: And provided further, That if the physical characteristics of the locality where a bridge authorized by this act is to be constructed require, and the interests of navigation be not injured thereby, the length of the fixed openings or the number of draw-openings required by this act may be reduced by the Secretary of War.

Strike out section four of said act and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"SEC. 4. That if any bridge built under the provisions of this act shall be constructed to provide for the passage of railroad trains, all railroad and other companies desiring to use the same 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 all approaches thereto, under and upon such terms and conditions as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of War, upon hearing the allegations and proofs of the parties, in case they shall not agree."

Approved, March 15, 1890.

CHAP. 33.—An act to shorten the terms of imprisonment in the jail and in the work-house of the District of Columbia on account of good conduct during confinement.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all persons sentenced to and imprisoned in the jail or in the work-house of the District of Columbia and confined there on and after the first day of January, anno Domini eighteen hundred and ninety, for a term of one month or longer, who conduct themselves so that no charge of misconduct shall be sustained against them, shall have a deduction of five days in each month made from the term of their sentence, and shall be entitled to their discharge so much the sooner, upon the certificate of the warden of the jail for those confined in the jail, and the certificate of the intendant of the Washington Asylum for those confined in the work-house, of their good conduct during their imprisonment (with the approval of the judge making the commitment); and it shall be the duty of said judge to write, or cause to be written, in the docket of his court, across the face of the commitment of the person to be so discharged, the following words: "Discharged by order of the court [giving date] on account of good conduct during imprisonment."

SEC. 2. That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, March 15, 1890.

CHAP. 34.—An act to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the building of a railroad bridge at Fort Smith, in the State of Arkansas," approved July nineteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight.