CHAP. 73.—An act to continue the publication of the Supplement to the Revised Statutes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the publication of the Supplement to the Revised Statutes, embracing the statutes general and permanent in their nature, passed after the Revised Statutes, with references connecting provisions on the same subject, explanatory notes, and citations of judicial decisions, be continued and issued in one volume, to include the general laws of the Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth, Forty-ninth, Fiftieth, and Fifty-first Congresses, with a table of alterations and a general index to the whole, to be prepared and edited by the editor of the existing Supplement, authorized by the joint resolution of June twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and eighty, numbered forty-four (Supplement to Revised Statutes, page five hundred and eighty-two), to be stereotyped at the Government Printing Office, using the present plates, as far as practicable, with such alterations as may be found necessary, the work and plates and all right and title therein and thereto to be in and fully belong to the Government for its exclusive use and benefit.

SEC. 2. That a sufficient number of copies be printed and bound for distribution, and to be distributed to members of Congress for themselves, and for distribution by them, to the departments, libraries, public officers, and others, the same number to each as heretofore provided by Congress for the distribution of the Revised Statutes of the United States, and the same number to the editor as to a member of Congress and such additional copies on the order of the Secretary of State as may be necessary from time to time to supply deficiencies and offices newly created, and for keeping for sale in the same manner and like terms as the Revised Statutes are required to be kept for sale. For preparing and editing said Supplement, including the legislation of the Fifty-first Congress, and the indexing and all clerical work necessary to fully complete the same, there shall be paid to said editor the sum of six thousand dollars.

CHAP. 74.—An act authorizing the construction of a free bridge across the Arkansas River, connecting Little Rock and Argenta, Arkansas.

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 county of Pulaski, State of Arkansas, to build a free foot, wagon, and street-railway bridge across the Arkansas River, at the city of Little Rock, in Arkansas; and in case of any litigation arising from any obstruction or alleged obstruction to the free navigation of said river by reason of the construction of said bridge, the cause may be tried before the district court of the United States having jurisdiction over that portion of the State of Arkansas where said bridge shall be located.

SEC. 2. That if any bridge built under the provisions of this act shall be constructed as a draw-bridge, the same shall be constructed as a pivot draw-bridge, with a draw over the main channel of the river, at an accessible and navigable point, and with the spans of not less than one hundred and sixty feet in length in the clear, on each side of the central or pivot pier of the draw; and the next adjoining spans to the draw shall not be less than two hundred and fifty feet; and said span shall not be less than twenty feet above
high-water mark, measuring to the bottom chord of the bridge; 
\textit{And provided also.} That said draw shall be opened promptly upon 
reasonable signal for the passage of boats whose construction shall 
not be such as to admit of their passage under the permanent spans 
of said bridge; and the bridge-piers shall be parallel to the current 
of the river.

\textbf{Sec. 3.} 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 no charge shall be made for 
the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and the 
umnitions of war of the United States.

\textbf{Sec. 4.} That the United States shall have the right of way for 
postal telegraph purposes across said bridge. And all telegraph and 
telephone companies shall have equal rights and privileges as to con-
structing their lines across said bridge.

\textbf{Sec. 5.} That the said county of Pulaski shall submit to the Secre-
tary of War, for his approval, a plan with the necessary drawings 
of the said bridge conforming to the above requirements, and until 
the Secretary of War approve the plan and location of said bridge 
and notify the county court of the said county of the same in writ-
ing, the bridge shall not be built or commenced; and should any 
change be made in the plan of the bridge during the progress of the 
work thereon, such change shall be subject likewise to the approval 
of the Secretary of War.

\textbf{Sec. 6.} That this act shall be null and void if actual construction 
of the bridge herein authorized be not commenced within one year, 
and completed within three years from the approval of this act.

\textbf{Sec. 7.} That Congress shall have power at any time to alter, 
amend, or repeal this act, or any part thereof, if, in its judgment, 
the public interests so require, and any change in the construction 
of the bridge hereby authorized made necessary by the action of 
Congress, or the entire removal of the same, if required, shall be at 
the expense of the owners of said bridge, or the parties controlling 
and using the same.

 Approved, April 9, 1890.

\textbf{CHAP. 75.}—An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Ar-
kanas River at or near Pendleton, Desha County, Arkansas.

\textbf{April 9, 1890.}