Election at large, of additional Representatives, etc.

SEC. 4. That in case of an increase in the number of Representatives which may be given to any State under this apportionment such additional Representative or Representatives shall be elected by the State at large, and the other Representatives by the districts now prescribed by law until the legislature of such State in the manner herein prescribed shall redistrict such State, and if there be no increase in the number of Representatives from a State the Representatives thereof shall be elected from the districts now prescribed by law until such State be redistricted as herein prescribed by the legislature of said State.

Repeal.

SEC. 5. That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, February 7, 1891.

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CHAP. 117.—An act to prohibit the sale of tobacco to minors under sixteen years of age in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter no person in the District of Columbia shall sell, give, or furnish any cigar, cigarette, or tobacco in any of its forms to any minor under sixteen years of age; and for each and every violation of this section the offender shall, on conviction, be fined not less than two dollars nor more than ten dollars, or be imprisoned for not less than five days nor more than twenty days.

Approved, February 7, 1891.

February 9, 1891.

CHAP. 121.—An act to authorize the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company to bridge the Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River at certain points, where the same forms the boundary line between the States of West Virginia and Kentucky.

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 Norfolk and Western Railroad Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Virginia and West Virginia, to construct and maintain bridges and approaches thereto across the Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River at such points where the same forms the boundary line between the States of West Virginia and Kentucky as the said company may deem suitable for the passage of its road over the said fork of the Big Sandy River, subject to the approval of the Secretary of War.

SEC. 2. That any bridge or bridges authorized to be constructed under this act shall be lawful structures, and shall be recognized and known as post routes, and they shall enjoy all the rights and privileges of other post roads in the United States, upon which also no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, or for through passengers or freight passing over said bridge or bridges and approaches, than the rate per mile paid for transportation over the railroads leading to said bridge or bridges; and the United States shall have the right of way for postal telegraph and telephone purposes without charges therefor across said bridge or bridges and approaches.

Said bridge or bridges shall be built and located under and subject to such regulations for the security of navigation 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 or bridges and a map of the location or locations, giving, for the space of one
mile above and one mile below the proposed location or locations, the high and low water lines upon the banks of the river or rivers, the direction and strength of the current at all stages of the water, with the soundings, accurately showing the bed of the stream, and the location of any other bridge or bridges, such map to be sufficiently in detail to enable the Secretary of War to judge of the proper location of said bridge, and shall furnish such other information as may be required for a full and satisfactory understanding of the subject; and should any change be made in the plan of said bridge or bridges during the progress of construction or after completion, such changes shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War.

SEC. 3. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved, and the right to require any changes in said structures, or any of them, or their entire removal at the expense of the owners thereof, or the corporation or persons controlling the same, whenever the public interest requires it, is also expressly reserved.

SEC. 4. That on any bridge or bridges constructed under the provisions of this act there shall be maintained, at the expense of the company or corporation owning or controlling the same, such lights and other signals as may be prescribed by the Light-House Board.

SEC. 5. That this act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridges herein authorized be not completed within three years from the date hereof.

Approved, February 9, 1891.

CHAP. 122.—An act to amend sections twelve hundred and sixteen, and twelve hundred and eighty-five of the Revised Statutes relative to certificates of merit to enlisted men of the Army.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twelve hundred and sixteen, Revised Statutes, be, and is hereby, amended to read:

"SEC. 1216. That when any enlisted man of the Army shall have distinguished himself in the service the President may, at the recommendation of the commanding officer of the regiment to which such enlisted man belongs, grant him a certificate of merit."

SEC. 2. That section twelve hundred and eighty-five, Revised Statutes, be, and is hereby, amended to read:

"SEC. 1285. A certificate of merit granted to an enlisted man for distinguished service shall entitle him, from the date of such service, to additional pay at the rate of two dollars per month while he is in the military service, although such service may not be continuous."

Approved, February 9, 1891.

CHAP. 123.—An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Cumberland River for the use of the Chesapeake and Nashville Railway, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chesapeake and Nashville Railway Company, a corporation organized under and pursuant to the laws of the States of Kentucky and Tennessee, or its successors, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct and maintain a bridge over the Cumberland River at such point in Trousdale or Sumner and Wilson or Davidson counties, in the State of Tennessee, as it may select, subject to the approval of the Secretary of War.