CHAP. 369.—An Act To amend section three of an Act entitled “An Act to change the time and places for the district and circuit courts of the northern district of Texas,” approved June eleventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section three of the Act entitled “An Act to change the time and places for the district and circuit courts of the northern district of Texas” be so amended as to read as follows: “That all actions or proceedings now pending in the courts of the northern or western district of Texas against parties residing in either of the counties from which process is made returnable to the courts to be held at Fort Worth, San Angelo, and Abilene, respectively, may, on the application of either party to such actions or proceedings, be transferred to the court at which said proceedings would be returnable as provided in this Act; and in case of such transfer all papers and files therein, with copies of all journal entries, shall be transferred to the office of the deputy clerk of the said court, and the same shall proceed in all respects as if originally commenced in said court.”

Approved, March 2, 1899.

CHAP. 370.—An Act Authorizing the extension of the post-office building at Springfield, Massachusetts.

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 is hereby, authorized and directed to cause the post-office building at Springfield, Massachusetts, to be extended and enlarged so as to provide necessary accommodations for the post-office, at a cost not to exceed twenty thousand dollars, including all necessary changes in and repairs to the present structure.

Approved, March 2, 1899.

CHAP. 371.—An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge across the Monongahela River at Morgantown, in the State of West Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the assent of the United States of America is hereby given to the county court of Monongalia County, West Virginia, a corporation under the laws of said State, to construct and maintain a bridge over the Monongahela River at Morgantown, in said State.

Sec. 2. That the bridge shall be so constructed that a free and unobstructed passage may be secured to all vessels and other water craft navigating said river; and any bridge constructed under this Act shall be located and built under and subject to such regulations for the securing of navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe; and to secure that object the said county court shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, the designs and drawings of the bridge, piers, and approaches, and a map of the location, giving, for the space of at least 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, and the direction and strength of the current at all stages, and the soundings, accurately showing the bed of the stream, and the location of other bridge or bridges, wharfs, landings, or ferries, and shall furnish such other information as shall be required for a full and satisfactory understanding of the subject; and until said plan and location of the bridge are approved by the Secretary of War the bridge shall not be commenced or built; and after such approval by the Secretary of War the approved plans and designs for the bridge shall not be deviated from or added to, either