arrival in such State or Territory be subject to the operation and effect of the laws of such State or Territory enacted in the exercise of its police powers, to the same extent and in the same manner as though such animals or birds had been produced in such State or Territory, and shall not be exempt therefrom by reason of being introduced therein in original packages or otherwise. This Act shall not prevent the importation, transportation, or sale of birds or bird plumage manufactured from the feathers of barnyard fowl.

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CHAP. 554.—An Act To provide for the construction of a bridge by the Duluth, Pierre and Black Hills Railroad Company across the Missouri River at Pierre, South Dakota.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Duluth, Pierre and Black Hills Railroad Company, a corporation duly organized under the general incorporation laws of the State of South Dakota, its successors and assigns, is hereby authorized to construct and maintain a bridge across the Missouri River at or near the city of Pierre, Hughes County, South Dakota, and also to lay on and over said bridge a railway track or tracks for the passage of railway trains; and said corporation may construct and maintain ways for wagons, carriages, and foot passengers, charging and receiving such reasonable tolls therefor as may be approved from time to time by the Secretary of War.

SEC. 2. That said bridge should be constructed and built without interference with the security and convenience of navigation of said river beyond what is necessary to carry into effect the rights and privileges hereby granted; and in order to secure that object the said corporation shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, a design and drawings of the bridge, and a map of the location, giving, for the space of 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, the direction and strength of the currents at all stages, and the soundings accurately showing the bed of the stream, the location of any other bridge or bridges, and shall furnish such other information as may be required for a full and satisfactory understanding of the subject; and until the said plan and location of the bridge are approved by the Secretary of War, the bridge shall not be built: Provided, That if the said bridge shall be made with unbroken and continuous spans it shall not be of less elevation in any case than fifty feet above extreme high-water mark as understood at the point of location to the lowest part of the superstructure of the bridge, nor shall the spans of said bridge be less than three hundred feet in length in the clear; and the piers of said bridge shall be parallel with the current of said river, and the bridge itself at right angles thereto, and the main span shall be over the main channel of the river and not less than three hundred feet in length in the clear: And provided also, That if any bridge built under this Act shall be constructed as a drawbridge the same shall be constructed as a pivot drawbridge, with a draw over the main channel of the river at an accessible and navigable point and with spans of not less than two hundred feet in length in the clear on each side of central or pivot pier of the draw, and the next adjoining span or spans to the draw shall not be less than three hundred feet, and the headroom under all river spans shall not be less than ten feet above local high-water mark, and the piers of said bridge shall be built with the current of said river and the bridge itself at right angles thereto: Provided also, That said draw shall be opened promptly upon the reasonable signal for the passing of boats; and said company or corporation shall maintain, at its own expense, from sunset
till sunrise such lights or other signals on said bridge as the Light-
House Board shall prescribe: Provided also, That said company shall,
at its own expense, build and maintain, under direction and supervision
of the Secretary of War, such wing dams and booms or other works
necessary to maintain the channel within the draw spans of said bridge,
and shall, at their own expenses, maintain a depth of water through
said draw spans not less than that now existing, as shown by the report
of the War Department, at the point where said bridge may be located:
Provided also, That all railway companies desiring to use said bridge
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
of all the approaches thereto, under and upon such terms and condi-
tions as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of War, upon hearing
the allegations and proofs of the parties, in case they shall not agree.

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed,
upon receiving such plan and map and other information, and upon
being satisfied that the bridge built upon such plan, with such access-
sory works, and at such locality, will conform to the prescribed con-
ditions of this Act, to notify the company that he approves the same;
and upon receiving such notification the said company may proceed to
an erection of said bridge, conforming strictly to the approved plan
and location; and should any change be made in the plan of the bridge
or accessory works during the progress of the work thereon, such
change shall be subject likewise to the approval of the Secretary of
War; and if any bridge erected under said authority shall, in the
opinion of the Secretary of War, obstruct such navigation, he is hereby
authorized to cause such change or alteration of said bridge to be made
as will effectually obviate such obstruction, and all such alterations
shall be made and all such obstructions be removed at the expense of
the said corporation; and in case of any litigation arising from any
obstruction, or alleged obstruction, to the free navigation of said river,
causèd, or alleged to be caused, by said bridge, the case may be brought
in any court of the United States of the State of South Dakota in
which any portion of said bridge may be located: Provided, That
nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to repeal or modify any of
the provisions of law now existing in reference to the protection of
the navigation of rivers, or to exempt this bridge from the operation
of the same: Provided further, That this bridge shall not be opened to
traffic until all piling and other false work used in constructing the
bridge shall have been wholly removed to the satisfaction of the Sec-
retary of War.

SEC. 4. That the said bridge and accessory works, when built and
constructed under this Act, and according to the terms and limitations
thereof, shall be lawful structures, and said bridge shall be recognized
and known as a post route, upon which also 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 than the rate per mile paid
for the transportation over the railroads or public highways leading
to such bridge; and said bridge shall enjoy the rights and privileges
of other post routes of the United States, and Congress reserves the
right at any time to regulate by appropriate legislation the charges
for freight and passengers over said bridge.

SEC. 5. That the United States shall have the right of way for such
postal telegraph lines across said bridge as the Government may con-
struct or control.

SEC. 6. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of
the bridge herein authorized be not commenced within two years and
completed within four years from the date of approval thereof.

SEC. 7. That Congress reserves the right to alter, amend, or repeal
this Act at any time.

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