shall make it expedient and practicable to secure the same by concurrent action of the leading commercial nations of the world and at a ratio which shall insure permanence of relative value between gold and silver.

Approved, March 14, 1900.

CHAP. 45.—An Act To grant an American register to the steamer Windward.

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 is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built steamer Windward, owned by Civil Engineer Robert E. Peary, United States Navy, to be registered as a vessel of the United States, provided that she shall not engage in the coastwise trade of this Republic.

Approved, March 16, 1900.

CHAP. 88.—An Act Declaring Cuivre River to be not a navigable stream.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Cuivre River, in the counties of Lincoln and Saint Charles, in the State of Missouri, being the dividing line, is hereby declared not to be a navigable stream, and shall be so treated by the Secretary of War and all other authorities.

Approved, March 23, 1900.

CHAP. 89.—An Act To constitute South Manchester, Connecticut, a port of delivery.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That South Manchester, Connecticut, be, and is hereby, constituted a port of delivery in the customs collection district of Hartford, Connecticut, and that the privileges of the seventh section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled “An Act to amend the statutes in relation to the immediate transportation of dutiable goods, and for other purposes,” be, and they are hereby, extended to said port of South Manchester.

Approved, March 23, 1900.

CHAP. 90.—An Act To amend section forty-four hundred and forty-five, of title fifty-two, of the Revised Statutes of the United States relating to the licensing of officers of steam vessels.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section forty-four hundred and forty-five, of title fifty-two, of the Revised Statutes, be, and is hereby, amended by adding thereto the following paragraphs:

“Every applicant for license as either master, mate, pilot, or engineer under the provisions of this title shall make and subscribe to an oath or affirmation, before one of the inspectors referred to in this title, to the truth of all the statements set forth in his application for such license.