

CHAP. 344.—An Act Permitting the building of two dams across the Savannah River above the city of Augusta in the State of Georgia.

February 8, 1901.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to Twin City Power Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina, its successors or assigns, to construct, erect, and maintain a dam across the Savannah River at or near where Dortons Creek, in the county of Edgefield, State of South Carolina, empties into the Savannah River, and all works incident thereto in the utilization of the power thereby developed; and also a dam across the said river at or near the southern end of Prices Island in said river, and about five miles from the mouth of Dortons Creek, and all works incident thereto in the utilization of the power thereby developed: *Provided,* That each of the dams constructed shall be provided with an accessible lock of such capacity as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War: *Provided also,* That the plans for the construction and maintenance of said dams and appurtenant works shall be submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War before the commencement of the construction of such dam or dams, and that the said Twin City Power Company shall not deviate from such plans after such approval, either before or after completion of the same, unless the modification of said plans shall have previously been submitted to and received the approval of the Chief of Engineers and of the Secretary of War: *Provided further,* That in case any litigation arises from the building of said dam or dams, the maintaining of the same, or from the obstruction of said river by the said dam or dams or appurtenant works, cases may be tried in the proper courts as now provided for that purpose in the States of South Carolina and Georgia, and the courts of the United States.

Twin City Power Company may dam Savannah River at Dortons Creek, S. C.

—also at Prices Island, etc.

Provisos.
Locks.

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Litigation.

SEC. 2. That the right to amend or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved: *And provided further,* That suitable fishways shall be constructed and maintained at said dams by said company, its successors and assigns, as may be required from time to time by the United States Fish Commissioner.

Amendment.
Proviso.
Fishways.

SEC. 3. That this Act shall be null and void unless one of the said dams herein authorized shall be completed within five years from the passage of this Act, and unless both dams shall be completed within the same time the rights and privileges hereby granted shall cease and be determined so far as pertains to the incompleting dam: *And provided further,* That such dam or dams shall be constructed in such manner as not to injure or diminish the water power of any person or company having a dam or hydraulic works already constructed: *And provided further,* That before the construction of either of said dams compensation shall be made to any person or company whose lands may be taken or overflowed in the construction or maintenance of such dam or dams, in accordance with the laws of the State where said lands may be situate.

Completion.

Provisos.
No injury to existing hydraulic works.

Damages.

Approved, February 8, 1901.

CHAP. 345.—An Act To authorize the construction and to maintain a dam and wagon bridge across Twelve-Mile Bayou, in the parish of Caddo, in the State of Louisiana.

February 8, 1901.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Shreveport Water Works Company, of the city of Shreveport, Louisiana, is hereby authorized to construct and maintain a dam and wagon bridge across

Shreveport Water Works Company may dam, etc., Twelve-Mile Bayou, La.