

street or highway occupied by said railway, or from altering and improving streets, avenues, highways, and the sewerage thereof; and the company shall change its railway construction and pavements so as to conform to such grades and improvements as may have been or may be established.

- Telegraph, etc.** SEC. 17. That said company is authorized to construct and operate, for its own use only, telegraph and telephone lines along its railway, as herein provided for, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia.
- Time of construction.** SEC. 18. That the construction of said extension on the lines of said railway company within the District of Columbia shall be commenced within one year of the passage of this Act and be completed and cars running thereupon for passenger traffic within two years from the passage of this Act, in default of which this Act shall be void and of no effect.
- Successors, etc., to comply with conditions.** SEC. 19. That all the conditions, requirements, and obligations imposed by this Act shall be complied with by any of the successors to or assigns of said company within said District.
- Guarantee deposit.** SEC. 20. That within sixty days from the approval of this Act the company shall deposit one thousand dollars with the collector of taxes of the District of Columbia, to guarantee the construction of this railroad within the prescribed time, and if this sum is not so deposited this Act shall be null and void. If the sum is so deposited and the road is not in operation as herein prescribed, said one thousand dollars shall be forfeited to the District of Columbia and this Act shall be void.
- Forfeit.** SEC. 21. That the construction, adoption of motive power, erection of buildings, regulation of schedule, and speed of running shall be at all times under the supervision and control of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia.
- Supervision of Commissioners.** SEC. 22. That each and every violation of the requirements of this Act or of the regulations of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia made under the authority thereof shall be punishable by a fine of not less than twenty nor more than one hundred dollars, in the discretion of the court, such fines to be collectible in any court of competent jurisdiction as other fines and penalties are collected in the District of Columbia.
- Penalty for violation.** SEC. 23. That the company shall, on or before the first day of February in each year, make a report to each the Senate and House of Representatives, as prescribed in section ten of the Act of June tenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, entitled "An Act to extend the routes of the Eckington and Soldiers' Home Railway Company and of the Belt Railway Company of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes."
- Report.** SEC. 24. That this Act shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.
- Vol. 29, p. 320.** SEC. 25. That Congress reserves the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act.
- Effect.**
- Amendment.**

Approved, February 18, 1907.

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[H. R. 15242.]

[Public, No. 93.]

Louisiana.
Confirmation of titles to certain lands in.

Claim of Isaac Crow.

CHAP. 936.—An Act To confirm titles to certain lands in the State of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the titles to all lands for which patents have heretofore been issued by the United States, and all lands for which bona fide homestead entries have heretofore been allowed, lying within that portion of township six north, range thirteen west, which was segregated and surveyed under the order of the surveyor-general of Louisiana as the private land claim of Isaac Crow, assignee of Vincent Michele, embracing in whole or in part

sections nine, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-three, and thirty-four of said township, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed.

SEC. 2. That the remaining portion of the land embraced within the limits described in the foregoing section upon which bona fide homestead entries have not been allowed prior to the approval of this Act be, and the same is hereby, confirmed to the heirs, assigns, or legal representatives of Lucretia Williams, and that all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the same be, and are hereby, granted and confirmed to the heirs, assigns, or legal representatives of the said Lucretia Williams.

Heirs, etc., of Lucretia Williams.

SEC. 3. That the heirs, assigns, or legal representatives of Lucretia Williams shall have the right to enter upon any of the public lands of the United States, not mineral, and subject to homestead entry, a quantity of land equal in extent to that heretofore patented or entered under the laws of the United States within the sections described in the first section of this Act, under such rules and regulations as the Commissioner of the General Land Office may prescribe.

Lands granted in lieu of lands formerly patented.

Approved, February 18, 1907.

CHAP. 990.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Winnipeg, Yankton and Gulf Railroad Company to construct a combined railroad, wagon, and foot-passenger bridge across the Missouri River at or near the city of Yankton, South Dakota."

February 19, 1907.

[S. 6872.]

[Public, No. 94.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section six of "An Act authorizing the Winnipeg, Yankton and Gulf Railroad Company to construct a combined railroad, wagon, and foot-passenger bridge across the Missouri River at or near the city of Yankton, South Dakota," approved April fifth, nineteen hundred and four, as amended by the Act approved February fifth, nineteen hundred and six, be, and the same is hereby, so amended that the time within which the said bridge is required to be commenced shall be within one year, and the time within which it is required that said bridge shall be completed shall be within three years from the date of the approval of this Act.

Missouri River. Time extended to Winnipeg, Yankton and Gulf Railroad Company for bridging, at Yankton, S. Dak.

Vol. 33, p. 157. Ante, p. 10, amended.

Time of construction.

Approved, February 19, 1907.

CHAP. 991.—An Act To amend section forty-four hundred and forty-six of the Revised Statutes, relating to licensed masters, mates, engineers, and pilots.

February 19, 1907.

[H. R. 21204.]

[Public, No. 95.]

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-six of the Revised Statutes, as the same is now in force and effect, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Steam vessels. R. S., sec. 4446, p. 861.

"SEC. 4446. Every master, mate, engineer, and pilot who shall receive a license shall, when employed upon any vessel, within forty-eight hours after going on duty, place his certificate of license, which shall be framed under glass, in some conspicuous place in such vessel, where it can be seen by passengers and others at all times: *Provided,* That in case of emergency such officer may be transferred to another vessel of the same owners for a period not exceeding forty-eight hours without the transfer of his license to such other vessel; and for every neglect to comply with this provision by any such master, mate, engineer, or pilot, he shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars, or to the revocation of his license."

License to be exhibited. R. S., sec. 4446, p. 861, amended.

Proviso. Temporary transfer to another vessel.

Penalty for violation.

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