

and the United States shall have the right of way for postal, telegraph, and telephone purposes over said bridge.

SEC. 11. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridge herein authorized be not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date of approval thereof.

Commencement and completion.

SEC. 12. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved; and the right to require the entire removal of the bridge constructed under the provisions of this Act, at the expense of the owners thereof, whenever Congress shall decide that the public interests require it, is also expressly reserved.

Amendment, etc.

SEC. 13. That the Act approved February eleventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge across Cahaba River, in Bibb County, Alabama, by the Montgomery, Tuscaloosa and Memphis Railway," is hereby repealed.

Act authorizing bridge over Cahaba River repealed. Vol. 27, p. 441.

Approved, June 11, 1896.

CHAP. 416.—An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge across the Alabama River by the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company.

June 11, 1896.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the rights, powers, and privileges granted to the Alabama Great Northwestern Railway Company by the Act of Congress entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Alabama River," and approved August sixth, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, together with all the duties and conditions thereby imposed, be, and the same are hereby, taken from the said railway company and in all respects extended to, vested in, and imposed upon the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company.*

Bridge over Alabama River. Vol. 25, p. 378. Rights transferred to Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company.

SEC. 2. That the time for completing the construction of the bridge authorized by said Act, which construction has already been begun, be, and the same is hereby, extended for three years from the date of the passage of this Act.

Time for completion extended. Vol. 27, p. 380.

SEC. 3. That section three of the said Act is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed, upon receiving any such plans and map and other information, and upon being satisfied that a bridge built on such plan and with such accessory works and at such locality will conform to the prescribed conditions 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, but until such notification has been received the bridge shall not be commenced or built; should any material change be made in the plan of the bridge or said accessory works during the progress of the work thereon, such change shall be likewise subject to the approval of the Secretary of War. The Secretary may at any time, when, in his judgment, necessary, require the company owning or controlling said bridge to change the same in any respect, or to entirely remove the structure, all such changes or the entire removal to be at the expense of said company."

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Changes. Section amended. Vol. 27, p. 380.

Approved, June 11, 1896.

CHAP. 417.—An Act To authorize the Butler and Pittsburg Railroad Company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Allegheny River.

June 11, 1896.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Butler and Pittsburg Railroad Company, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, is hereby authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a railroad bridge, with single or double track, for railroad traffic across the Allegheny River within the limits of Allegheny County, State*

Butler and Pittsburg Railroad Company may bridge Allegheny River, Allegheny County, Pa.