Lights.

Stationery, etc.

For lights, five hundred dollars.

For stationery and other necessary expenses, exclusive of clerical services, to be approved by the Secretary of the Interior, thirty thousand

dollars.

Rents.

For rents, twenty-five thousand eight hundred and thirty dollars. Approved, March 6, 1896.

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CHAP. 47 .- An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge across Lake Saint

Draw.

Wagon and foot bridge

Tolls.

Lawful structure and post route.

Provisos. Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Lights, etc.

Commencement and completion.

Amendment, etc.

CHAP. 48 -An Act Making appropriations for the support of the Military

Military Acappropriations. Academy States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and

March 6, 1896.

Francis, in the State of Arkansas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United and Turnpike Company usy bridge Lake and Turnpike Company is hereby authorized to construct, operate, and St. Francis, Lake City. Ark. Truncis, Lake City. in the State of Arkansas. Said bridge shall be constructed in accordance with such plans as the Secretary of War may decide to be necessary in the interest of navigation; and the draw shall be constructed in accordance with such plans as may be approved by the Secretary of War, and may be of pontoon or other construction, and may, by permission and under the direction of the Secretary of War, be changed. Said bridge shall provide for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot passengers, and the said company may charge reasonable rates of toll, to be approved by the Secretary of War. SEC. 2. That said bridge constructed under this Act shall be a lawful

structure, and shall be recognized as a post route, upon which no charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, troops, and munitions of war of the United States; and equal privileges in the use of said bridge shall be granted to all telegraph companies; and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridge and approaches for postal telegraph purposes: Provided, That before the construction of any bridge herein authorized is commenced, the said company shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, a design and drawing of such bridge and a map of the location, giving sufficient information to enable the Secretary of War to fully and satisfactorily understand the subject, and unless the plan and location of such bridge are approved by the Secretary of War the Aids to navigation. structure shall not be built: Provided further, That any bridge constructed under authority of this Act shall at all times be so kept and managed as to offer proper and reasonable means for the passage of vessels and other water crafts through or under said structure; and for the safety of vessels passing at night there shall be displayed on said bridge from sunset to sunrise such lights or other signals as may be prescribed by the Light-House Board when any vessel shall signal

> to pass. Sec. 3. 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 approval of this Act.

> SEC. 4. That Congress shall have the power at any time to alter, amend, or repeal this Act, or any part thereof, if in its judgment the public interests so require.

Approved, March 6, 1896.

Academy for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United

the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury