

CHAP. 133.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of War to donate four obsolete gun carriages to the city of Marshalltown, Iowa.

July 13, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to turn over four of the obsolete gun carriages at the Rock Island Arsenal to the city of Marshalltown, Iowa, for use in mounting four twenty-pounder Parrot guns, donated to said city by Act of Congress approved July nineteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two: Provided, That said city shall bear any expense necessary to place these carriages in serviceable condition.

Marshalltown, Iowa.
Four obsolete gun carriages donated to.

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Proviso.
Expense.

Approved, July 13, 1894.

CHAP. 134.—An Act To provide for the restoration to the State of Michigan two flags carried by the Twenty-second Michigan Infantry Volunteers and now in the War Department.

July 13, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to turn over to the State of Michigan two flags which were carried by the Twenty-second Regiment of Michigan Infantry Volunteers, and which are now among the recaptured Union flags in the War Department.

Michigan.
Two flags to be returned to.

Approved, July 13, 1894.

CHAP. 135.—An Act Making an appropriation for rewriting the Consular Regulations.

July 16, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of two thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be available immediately, for the purpose of rewriting the Consular Regulations under the supervision of the Secretary of State.

Consular Regulations.
Appropriation for rewriting.

Approved, July 16, 1894.

CHAP. 136.—An Act To authorize the construction of a wagon and foot bridge across the South, or Main, Canadian River at or near the town of Noble, in Oklahoma Territory.

July 16, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the South Canadian Bridge Company, a corporation created by or under the laws of the Territory of Oklahoma, its successors or assignees, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge or bridges for the passage of vehicles of all kinds, animals, and foot passengers across the South, or Main, Canadian River at or near the Town of Noble, and at any other point where said river borders Oklahoma and Indian Territories, so as to connect with the opposite shore of the said river in the Chickasaw Nation, Indian Territory.

South Canadian Bridge Company may bridge South Canadian River, Noble, Okla.

SEC. 2. That any bridge or bridges built under the provisions of this Act shall be a lawful structure or structures, and shall be recognized and known as a post route upon which no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, troops, and munitions of war of the United States passing over said bridge or bridges than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the public highways leading to said bridge or bridges; 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 bridges 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*

Lawful structures and post routes.

Postal telegraph.
Provisos.
Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Free navigation.	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 structure shall not be built: <i>Provided also</i> , That any bridge constructed under authority of this Act shall at all times be so kept and managed as to offer reasonable and proper means for the passage of vessels and other watercraft through or under said structure; and for the safety of vessels passing at night there shall be displayed on such bridge, from sunset to sunrise, such lights or other signals as may be prescribed by the Light-House Board.
Lights, etc.	
Toll.	SEC. 3. That said South Canadian Bridge Company shall have the right to charge and collect a reasonable rate of toll, not exceeding the rate limited by the law of Oklahoma Territory.
Commencement and completion.	SEC. 4. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridges herein authorized be not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date of approval hereof.
Amendment, etc.	SEC. 5. That Congress hereby expressly reserves the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act.

Approved, July 16, 1894.

July 16, 1894.	CHAP. 137. —An Act Making appropriations for the service of the Post-Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five.
Postal service appropriations.	<i>Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled</i> , That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated for the service of the Post-Office Department, in conformity with the Act of July second, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, as follows:

Postmaster-General.

OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Advertising.

For advertising, nineteen thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous.

For miscellaneous items in the office of the Postmaster-General, one thousand dollars.

First-Assistant Postmaster-General.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Postmasters.

For compensation to postmasters, sixteen million dollars.

Clerks in post-offices.

For compensation to clerks in post-offices, nine million seven hundred thousand dollars.

Rent, light and fuel.

For rent, light, and fuel for first and second class post-offices, eight hundred and forty-five thousand dollars.

Proviso.
Limit, third-class offices.

For rent, light, and fuel for post-offices of the third class, six hundred and sixty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That there shall not be allowed for the use of any third-class post-office for rent a sum in excess of four hundred dollars, nor more than sixty dollars for fuel and lights, in any one year.

Miscellaneous.

For necessary miscellaneous and incidental items directly connected with first and second class post-offices, including furniture, one hundred and forty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the Postmaster-General, in his discretion, under such regulations as he shall prescribe, may authorize any of the postmasters of said offices to expend the fund he may allow them for such purposes, without the written consent of the Postmaster-General.

Proviso.
Expenditures.

Free delivery.

For free-delivery service, including existing experimental free-delivery offices, twelve million three hundred and twenty-seven thousand six hundred and eighty-five dollars and thirty-three cents; of which the sum of twenty thousand dollars shall be applied under the direction of the Postmaster-General to experimental free delivery in rural communities other than towns and villages, and the Postmaster-General shall

Rural districts.