

CHAP. 245.—An Act To authorize the Washington and Glen Echo Railroad Company to obtain a right of way and construct tracks into the District of Columbia six hundred feet.

May 7, 1898.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Washington and Glen Echo Railroad Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Maryland and operating a street railway in said State, the eastern terminus being at or near the northern boundary of the District of Columbia in Chevy Chase, be, and said corporation is hereby, authorized and empowered to obtain a right of way and construct its road and lay double tracks thereon into the District of Columbia a distance of six hundred feet, and no farther, from the point in the boundary line of the District where said railway extended crosses the boundary line of the District and from said point to a point on the west line of Connecticut avenue extended, on a route to be approved by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, said corporation to have full power and authority to operate cars upon said road for the purpose of its traffic; said corporation to use electric motive power in propelling its cars: *Provided,* That no fares shall be charged or collected within the District of Columbia: *And provided further,* That unless the extension herein provided for shall be completed within six months from the date of the approval of this Act, then this Act shall be null and void: *And provided further,* That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia shall have the power to make and to enforce all reasonable and usual regulations for the operation and maintenance of that portion of the lines within the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia. Extension of tracks, Washington and Glen Echo Railroad.

Provides. No fares. Completion of work.

Regulations by District Commissioners.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. That Congress reserves the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act.

Approved, May 7, 1898.

CHAP. 246.—An Act To amend section nine of an Act entitled "An Act to grant to the Arkansas, Texas and Mexican Central Railway Company a right of way through the Indian Territory, and for other purposes."

May 7, 1898.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section nine of an Act approved August fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, entitled "An Act to grant the Arkansas, Texas and Mexican Central Railway Company a right of way through the Indian Territory, and for other purposes," be, and the same is hereby, amended by striking out the words "within three years after the passage of this Act," and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

Arkansas, Texas, and Mexican Central Railway. Vol. 28, p. 232.

"**SEC. 9.** That said railway company shall build not less than fifty miles of its railway in said Territory in each year after the passage of this Act. That said railway company shall construct and maintain continually all road and highway crossings and necessary bridges over said railway wherever said roads and highways do now, or may hereafter, cross said railway's right of way, or may be by the proper authorities laid out across the same: *Provided also,* That the strip of land three thousand feet in length, granted in section two of said original Act, for stations along said line of railway, shall be limited to two thousand feet in length."

Construction for each year.

Crossings.

Stations. Vol. 28, p. 230.

Approved, May 7, 1898.

CHAP. 247.—An Act Granting to the Chattanooga Rapid Transit Company the right to cross with its track the Dry Valley road to the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Park.

May 7, 1898.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized, at his discretion, and upon the favorable recommen-

Chattanooga Rapid Transit Company may cross Dry Valley road.