

SEC. 3. That the Government of the United States reserves the right, at any time that the improvement of the navigation of Bear River demands it, to construct, maintain, and operate, in connection with any dam or other works built under the provisions of this Act, suitable lock or locks or any other structures for navigation purposes, and at all times to control such dam or dams or other structures, and the level of the pool caused by such dam or dams, to such an extent as may be necessary to provide facilities for navigation; and whenever Congress shall authorize the construction of such lock or other structures, the person, company, or corporation owning and controlling such dam or dams or other structures shall convey to the United States, under such terms as Congress shall prescribe, titles to such land as may be required for the use of such lock and approaches, and in addition thereto shall grant to the United States, free of cost, the free use of water power for building and operating such constructions: *Provided, also*, That the person, company, or corporation building, maintaining, or operating any dam or dams or other structures under the provisions of this Act shall be liable for any damage that may be inflicted thereby upon private property, either by overflow or otherwise, and the nearest State or Federal court shall have jurisdiction to hear suits to determine the amount of compensation for alleged damage. The person, company, or corporation owning or operating any such dam shall maintain, at their own expense, such lights and other signals thereon and such fishways as the Secretary of Commerce and Labor shall prescribe.

Locks, etc.

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Damages.

Lights, etc.

Fishways.

SEC. 4. That all the rights acquired under this Act shall cease and be determined if the person, company, or corporation acquiring such right shall at any time fail to comply with any of the provisions or requirements of this Act, or with any of the stipulations that may be prescribed by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War, or in case a person, company, or corporation authorized by the laws of the State of Mississippi to erect and maintain a dam and improvements as contemplated by this Act shall fail to begin the erection of said dam and improvements within one year after being so authorized and shall fail to complete the same within three years after obtaining such authority.

Forfeiture.

Time of construction.

SEC. 5. That the provisions of this Act shall in no manner interfere with or impair the rights of any person, company, or corporation heretofore authorized by Congress to erect a dam or other structures for the development of water power on the Tennessee River.

Prior rights not affected.

SEC. 6. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, April 23, 1906.

CHAP. 1661.—An Act Making an appropriation for the improvement of the mouth of the Columbia River.

April 23, 1906.

[H. R. 17987.]

[Public, No. 120.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of four hundred thousand dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be immediately available, and to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers, for continuing the improvement at the mouth of the Columbia River, Oregon and Washington, in accordance with the existing project.

Columbia River, Oregon and Wash. Appropriation for improvement of mouth.

Post, p. 738.

Approved, April 23, 1906.

April 23, 1906.
[H. R. 13334.]
[Public, No. 121.]

CHAP. 1662.—An Act Making an appropriation to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for bringing home remains of officers and men of the Navy and Marine Corps who die abroad.

Navy.
Appropriation for
bringing home re-
mains of officers, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for "bringing home the remains of officers and men, Navy and Marine Corps, who die abroad" on account of the fiscal year nineteen hundred and six, there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of four thousand dollars.

Approved, April 23, 1906.

April 24, 1906.
[H. R. 229.]

CHAP. 1861.—An Act Providing for the purchase of metal and the coinage of minor coins, and the distribution and redemption of said coins.

[Public, No. 122.]

Minor coins.
Purchase of metal
for.
R. S., secs. 3528, 3529,
p. 698, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections thirty-five hundred and twenty-eight and thirty-five hundred and twenty-nine of the Revised Statutes be, and the same are hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Amount of purchase
increased.
R. S., sec. 3528, p. 698,
amended.

"**SEC. 3528.** For the purchase of metal for the minor coinage authorized by this Act a sum not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars in lawful money of the United States shall, upon the recommendation of the Director of the Mint, and in such sums as he may designate, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, be transferred to the credit of the superintendents of the mints at Philadelphia, San Francisco, Denver, and New Orleans, at which establishments, until otherwise provided by law, such coinage shall be carried on. The superintendents, with the approval of the Director of the Mint as to price, terms, and quantity, shall purchase the metal required for such coinage by public advertisement, and the lowest and best bid shall be accepted, the fineness of the metals to be determined on the mint assay. The gain arising from the coinage of such metals into coin of a nominal value, exceeding the cost thereof, shall be credited to the special fund denominated the minor-coinage profit fund; and this fund shall be charged with the wastage incurred in such coinage, and with the cost of distributing said coins, as hereinafter provided. The balance remaining to the credit of this fund, and any balance of the profits accrued from minor coinage under former Acts, shall be, from time to time, and at least twice a year, covered into the Treasury of the United States.

Coinage at San Fran-
cisco, Denver, and
New Orleans mints
added.

Use of seigniorage.

Delivery and re-
demption of minor
coins.
R. S., sec. 3529, p. 698,
amended.
Mints added.

"**SEC. 3529.** The minor coins authorized by this Act may, at the discretion of the Director of the Mint, be delivered in any of the principal cities and the towns of the United States, at the cost of the mints, for transportation, and shall be exchangeable at par at the mints named, at the discretion of the superintendents, for any other coins of copper, bronze, or copper-nickel heretofore authorized, and it shall be lawful for the Treasurer and the several assistant treasurers and depositaries of the United States to redeem, in lawful money, under such rules as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, all copper, bronze, and copper-nickel coins authorized by law when presented in sums of not less than twenty dollars; and whenever, under this authority, these coins are presented for redemption in such quantity as to show the amount outstanding to be redundant, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and required to direct that such coinage shall cease until otherwise authorized by him."

Minimum amount.

Approved, April 24, 1906.