

any of said prescribed regulations, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, to be recovered by information or by action of debt in the District Court of the United States for the eastern district of Michigan, with costs of suit, and shall, in addition thereto, be liable to the United States, or to any person aggrieved by such obstructions, or injuries, or unlawful acts or omissions in a civil action for all damages occasioned thereby, or by any of said unlawful acts, to said United States or such aggrieved person. And if such damage or injury to said harbor, channels, approaches, piers, breakwaters, docks, wharves, and other property of the United States in said harbor of refuge be committed by any steamer, vessel, or water-craft, or by the master or person in charge thereof, or if such master or other person in charge of such vessel shall willfully violate the regulations aforesaid, the aforesaid penalty of not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars shall be incurred, and such vessel shall be liable for the penalty aforesaid, and may be proceeded against by way of libel for the recovery thereof in any court of the United States within whose jurisdiction such vessel may be found.

Steam launch authorized for harbor duty.

Appropriation.

Transfer of works and improvements to Secretary of Treasury.

SEC. 4. That the Secretary of War may, in his discretion, purchase or hire a steam launch or tug, to be stationed at and used about said harbor, under the direction of said custodian, for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this act; and such a sum as may be necessary, not exceeding ten thousand dollars, is hereby appropriated for the purchase or hire of said steam-launch; and the expense of running and maintaining said launch or tug and the salary of the custodian shall be paid out of the appropriation made for said harbor of refuge.

SEC. 5. That after the completion of said harbor by the United States Government the control shall be transferred to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Approved, June 19, 1882.

June 22, 1882.

CHAP. 236.—An act to provide for the payment of the salaries and compensation of members of the houses of Congress and their officers and employees in certain contingencies.

Disbursement of Congressional pay in certain contingencies.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any appropriation made for the payment of the salaries of Senators, Members, and Delegates in Congress, or the officers and employees of both or either of the houses thereof, or for the expenses of the same, or any committees thereof, cannot be lawfully disbursed by or through the officers specially charged with such disbursements, such disbursements may be made for the purposes named in said appropriations by the Treasurer of the United States, who shall take proper vouchers therefor and charge such disbursements against such appropriations; and the accounts therefor shall be audited and passed or rejected, as the law may require, in the same manner that similar accounts are or may be required by law to be audited and passed or rejected.

Approved, June 22, 1882.

June 27, 1882.

CHAP. 239.—An act to provide a building for the use of the United States circuit and district courts and post-office at Erie Pennsylvania.

Erie, Pa.
Public building.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to purchase a site for and cause to be erected a suitable building, with fire-proof vaults therein, for the accommodation of the circuit and district courts of the United

States, the post-office, internal-revenue offices, and other government offices, at the city of Erie, Pennsylvania. The site, and buildings thereon, when completed upon plans and specifications to be previously made and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall not exceed the cost of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the site purchased shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings by an open space of not less than fifty feet, including streets and alleys; and that no money appropriated for this purpose shall be available until a valid title to the site for said building shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Pennsylvania shall have ceded to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owners thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and the service of any civil process therein.

Site.
Plans.
Cost.
Proviso.

SEC. 2. That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, to be used and expended in the purchase of said site and towards the construction of said building.

Appropriation.

Approved, June 27, 1882.

CHAP. 240.—An act authorizing the Texas and Saint Louis Railway Company to build certain bridges in the State of Arkansas.

June 27, 1882.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Texas and Saint Louis Railway Company, in Missouri and Arkansas, a corporation duly and legally organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the States of Missouri and Arkansas, its successors or assigns, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct and maintain a bridge, and approaches thereto, over the White River, in Monroe County, in the State of Arkansas, near the city of Clarendon, at the point where said company's line of railway as now projected crosses said river; and also a bridge, and approaches thereto, over the Arkansas River, in Jefferson County, in said State of Arkansas, near the city of Pine Bluff, at the point where said company's line of railway as now projected crosses said river; and also a bridge, and approaches thereto, over the Saline River, in the State of Arkansas, at the point where said company's line of railway as now projected crosses said river; and also a bridge, and approaches thereto, over the Ouachita River, in the county of Ouachita, in the State of Arkansas, at the point where said company's line of railway as now projected crosses said river; and also a bridge, and approaches thereto, over the Red River, in La Fayette County, in the State of Arkansas, at the point where said company's line of railway as now projected crosses said river. Said bridges shall be constructed to provide for the passage of railway trains, and, at the option of said company by which it may be built, may be used for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot-passengers for such reasonable rates of toll as may be prescribed by said company subject to the revision and regulation of the Secretary of War.

Bridges in State of Arkansas to be built by Texas and Saint Louis Railway Company over—
White River, Monroe County,
Arkansas River, Jefferson County,
Saline River,
Ouachita River, and
Red River.

SEC. 2. That if the said bridges, or either of them, over the said White and Arkansas Rivers shall be made with unbroken and continuous spans, there shall be at least one span of a height of not less than eighty feet above low water or fifty feet above highest water, measured to the lowest part of the superstructure of said bridge, and said span shall have a clear opening of at least three hundred feet between the piers, measured at right angles to the current at every stage, and shall be over that portion of the river or rivers used by boats during ordinary stages of water; and the bridge or bridges shall be at right angles to and the piers parallel with the current of the river. And if the said bridges, or either of them, over the said White and Arkansas Rivers

Form and construction.