

Consent of the United States given to the erection, within six years, of a bridge across the Delaware river between Philadelphia and Camden by a corporation.

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Bridge how to be built.

Plan and map to be submitted to the Secretary of War.

Consent of Pennsylvania and New Jersey to be first obtained.

Secretary of War to notify corporation of his approval, if, &c.

Bridge not to be built until Secretary of War has approved plan.

States is hereby given to James Pollock, Morton McMichael, Thomas S. Speakman, Alexander G. Cattell, Presby B. O'Neill, William Moore, Edward Bettie, Henry L. Bonsall, Geo. S. Woodhull, Simon Cameron, P. C. Brink, James Page, H. M. Phillips, John C. Tatum, Hector Orr, Charles Cox, Thomas Shaw, William Nicholson, Reynell Coates, James H. Orne, Edwin H. Fetter, William H. Kern, Nathan Hilles, Robert E. Randall, Marmaduk B. Taylor, Sinnickson Chew, and their associates, first having obtained an act of incorporation by either the State of Pennsylvania, or the State of New Jersey, to erect a bridge with diverging roadways and double draws, over and across the Delaware river, between the city of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, and the city of Camden, in the State of New Jersey, at any time within six years after the passage of this act: *Provided*, That the said bridge shall be so constructed and built as not to obstruct, impair, or injuriously modify the navigation of the river; and in order to secure a compliance with these conditions, the company, previous to commencing the construction of the bridge, shall submit to the Secretary of War a plan of the bridge, with a detailed map of the river at the proposed site of the bridge, together with all other information touching said bridge and river as may be deemed requisite by the Secretary of War to determine whether the said bridge, when built, will conform to the prescribed conditions of the act, not to obstruct, impair, or injuriously modify the navigation of the river: *And provided also*, That the consent of the said States of Pennsylvania and New Jersey shall be first had and obtained by act of incorporation or otherwise.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed, upon receiving said plan and map and other information, and upon being satisfied that a bridge built on such plan and at said locality will conform to the prescribed conditions of this act, not to obstruct, impair, or injuriously modify the navigation of said river, to notify the said company that he approves the same; and upon receiving such notification, the said company may proceed to the erection of said bridge, conforming strictly to the approved plan and location. But until the Secretary of War approve the plan and location of said bridge, and notify said company of the same, the bridge shall not be built.

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CHAP. XLVII.—*An Act authorizing the Corporation of the City of Washington to set apart Portions of Streets and Avenues as Parks for Trees and Walks.*

City of Washington may set apart as parks portions of streets, &c.

Width of roadway.

Special taxes for costs thereof may be levied and collected.

This act not to apply to certain avenues, &c.;

nor to authorize the use of public streets for private purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the corporation of the city of Washington be, and hereby is, authorized to set apart from time to time, as parks, to be adorned with shade-trees, walks, and enclosed with curbstones, not exceeding one half the width of any and all avenues and streets in the said city of Washington, leaving a roadway of not less than thirty-five feet in width in the centre of said avenues and streets, or two such roadways on each side of the park in the centre of the same; and said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to levy and collect special taxes in such equal and just manner as said corporation may determine, in particular wards, parts, or sections of the city, or upon all property bordering upon avenues, streets, and alleys, which shall have been so improved, sufficient in amount to pay the actual cost thereof: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be held to apply to Pennsylvania, Louisiana, and Indiana avenues, nor to Four and a Half Street between the City Hall and Pennsylvania Avenue: *And provided further*, That nothing in this act shall authorize the occupancy of any portion of the public streets or avenues for private purposes.

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