

ington, to be used by said city as a part of and in connection with its public park system, and for no other purpose. In case the said city of Seattle should attempt to use or permit the use of said lands, or any portion thereof, for any other purpose, the same shall forthwith revert to the State of Washington without suit, action or any proceeding whatsoever, or the judgment of any court forfeiting the same.

.. Passed by the Senate February 19, 1909.

.. Passed by the House March 4, 1909.

.. Approved March 23, 1909.

CHAPTER 234.

[S. B. 248.]

RELATING TO THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER.

AN ACT making an appropriation and creating a commission, to be known as the Columbia river improvement commission, for the purpose of the improvement of the Columbia river between Bridgeport and Kettle Falls.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. That there is hereby appropriated out of the general fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), or as much thereof as may be necessary, to be used for the improvement of the Columbia river for steamboat navigation between the towns of Bridgepart and Kettle Falls.

Appropriation
\$50,000.

SEC. 2. That for the purpose of conducting and effecting such improvements and expending such appropriation, or any part thereof, as provided in section 1 of this act, there is hereby created a commission, to be known as the Columbia River Improvement Commission of the State of Washington. Such commission shall consist of five members, who shall be appointed by the Governor, and who shall be residents of the State of Washington. Said commissioners shall hold office from the date of appointment to July 1, 1911, or for any lesser period as may be required to complete their duties, unless sooner removed for

Columbia
River Im-
provement
Commission.

cause by the Governor. In event of vacancies occurring in said commission by reason of death, inability or refusal to act, or removal for cause, appointments shall be made by the Governor to fill such vacancies.

Expenses
allowed.

SEC. 3. Each of said commissioners so appointed shall serve without salary, except as hereinafter provided, but shall be allowed actual necessary traveling expenses incurred in attending meetings of said commission in discharge of the duties of the office, to be paid out of the sum of money appropriated in section 1 of this act, upon vouchers approved, in the manner hereinafter provided, by the commission.

Organization
of com-
mission.

SEC. 4. The members of the Columbia River Improvement Commission shall meet at the call of the Governor within ten days after their appointment, at such place as may be designated by him, and organize by the election of one of their members as president, and the employment of a secretary, who shall keep full records of the proceedings and the accounts of the commission. Headquarters thereafter shall be established at any point selected by the commissioners, at which place such regular or stated meetings as may be necessary for carrying out the purposes of this act shall be held. The commission shall fix the salaries of all persons employed by it, such salaries to be paid out of the money appropriated in section 1, and shall purchase all material and equipment and provide for other necessary expenditures out of said fund. Double entry accounts shall be kept, together with complete vouchers covering every financial transaction involving the disbursement of the money appropriated; and on July 1, 1910, January 1, 1911, or at the close of their period of appointment, or at any time upon the completion of the work contemplated, shall report to the Governor of the State of Washington a complete summary of its administration, with a detailed statement of the disbursements made. The commission is hereby authorized and empowered to assume and exercise all powers and functions necessary to the carrying out of the purposes of this act in so improving, within their best judgment, and to the extent of the means here provided,

Accounts,
how kept.

the Columbia river between the towns of Bridgeport, in Douglas county, State of Washington, and Kettle Falls, in Stevens county, State of Washington, a distance, approximately, of 175 miles, by blasting, removing and clearing out such rocks, ledges, obstructions and bars so as to make the river practically navigable, or such portions thereof as may be practicable with the funds provided, between said towns of Kettle Falls and Bridgeport; and they are empowered to negotiate and co-operate with the proper authorities of the national government, wherever such co-operation may be practicable; to build and operate any equipment, and to take any other measures necessary to the carrying out of the purposes of this act. The commission may elect, and is hereby authorized to elect, out of its membership, an executive commissioner, who shall, at the instance of the commission, exercise personal direction and control over the entire improvements, workmen, materials, equipment and operations provided for by this act. The salary of such executive commissioner shall not exceed twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) per year. He shall have the supervision and care of all property whatsoever acquired under the provisions of this act by the state, and shall carry on the work contemplated in this act at such seasonable times and places as the stages of water in the river, or other circumstances, may permit, and shall perform such other functions and duties as may be designated by the commission.

Improvement
of river.

To assist
Federal
government.

Executive
commiss-
sioner.

SEC. 5. Upon the completion of the improvements contemplated by this act, or at any time within the judgment of the commission that such disposition may be deemed advisable, the commission may sell any plant or equipment, or part thereof, to the United States government, or make any other disposition of any such acquired property or equipment that may be fit and proper, and the proceeds thereof, together with any other sums that may be left on hand, shall be returned to the state treasury.

Equipment
may be
sold.

SEC. 6. The appropriation made in section 1 of this act is hereby placed at the disposal of, and the same shall

Appropriation, how expended.

be used and expended by, and under the direction of, the Columbia River Improvement Commission, according to the terms hereinbefore provided, and the State Auditor is authorized to draw his warrants upon the State Treasurer upon vouchers, in the manner provided by law for the disbursements of general appropriations, made by the executive commissioner when approved in writing by the president of the commission and attested by the secretary, and the State Treasurer shall pay the same.

Passed by the Senate March 6, 1909.

Passed by the House March 8, 1909.

Approved March 23, 1909.

CHAPTER 235.

[S. B. 247.]

REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF OPTOMETRY.

AN ACT to regulate the practice of optometry and for the appointment of a board of examiners, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Optometry.

SECTION 1. The practice of optometry is defined to be the employment of any means, other than the use of drugs, for the measurement of the powers of vision and the adaptation of lenses for the aid thereof.

Board of examiners.

SEC. 2. That a board to be known as the Board of Examiners in Optometry, for the State of Washington, is hereby established. Said board shall consist of three members, who will possess sufficient knowledge of theoretical and practical optics to practice optometry, and who shall have been residents of this state, actually engaged in the practice of optometry for at least five years. The term of each member of the said board shall be three years, or until his successor is appointed and qualified, and vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term only; but in the original appointment of the members of the board, one shall be appointed for the term of one year, one for two years, and one for three years, from July 1, 1909. Said board