

plan, and materials, as the said county commissioners shall determine; and also that sealed proposals for building or repairing said bridge or bridges will be received until a day named in said advertisement, on which day said proposals shall be opened, and the contract awarded to the lowest bidder, who, in the opinion of said county commissioners, shall be qualified to build or repair the same; which said contractor shall be required to enter into bonds, with approved security, in double the amount of the contract conditioned for the faithful performance of the said contract.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That when a contractor for the building or repairing of any bridge or bridges shall signify to the county commissioners that the said bridge is finished, it shall be the duty of the said county commissioners to inspect the work, and if, in their judgment, it has been constructed according to the contract and specification, then they shall take said bridge or bridges from the hands of the said contractor, and open the same for public travel, when, and not before, the said contractor shall be entitled to receive the last instalment due on said bridge.

County commissioners to inspect.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That upon petition of any citizen or citizens, of any county, made in writing, to any county commissioner, praying for a bridge or bridges to be built or repaired, over any stream or place dividing two adjoining counties, and the said county commissioners shall deem the prayer in the petition reasonable, they shall, by message, in writing, ask the concurrence of the county commissioners of the adjoining county, and upon the concurrence of the said county commissioners of the adjoining county, the commissioners of such adjoining county shall appoint three disinterested and discreet examiners, whereof notice shall be given by each of the said commissioners to the other, and the said examiners shall, with all convenient despatch, thereafter, meet and examine and determine as to the expediency of building or repairing any bridge or bridges, the place where, the plan, material, and the relative portion of the cost each of the adjoining counties should pay, and estimate the whole cost, and report their opinion of the expediency of building or repairing of any bridge or bridges, the place, plan, material, estimate, and all other proceedings, to their respective county commissioners; and if the said report be approved, and a

Examiners to be appointed.