

ter to center and extending down to the bottom of the concrete piers. The drainage from the roof is carried off from the gutters through down spouts brought in from each side to the supporting columns and connecting under the floor with the city sewer. The drawings show the other principal details of construction of the buildings.

Galveston Bay to connect the mainland with Galveston Island.

A law giving the Railroad Commission authority to require a railroad company to construct sidings or spur tracks to private industries, and authorizing railroads to connect where their tracks are within one mile of each other, and to require them to connect, upon order of the Railroad Commis-

1903. The exports of provisions for the eight-month period decreased from \$107,732,255 in 1904 to \$97,058,848 in 1905. The total exports of provisions, including cattle, hogs and sheep, for February, 1905, were valued at \$16,433,483, compared with \$16,125,089 in 1904; for the twelve months in 1904, \$190,282,133, compared with \$199,472,565 in 1903; for the eight months ending