

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the action of the county commissioners of the several counties of Washington Territory under the authority supposed to reside in the act of the legislative assembly of said Territory of December second, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, entitled "An act to provide for the leasing of school lands in Washington Territory," when had in conformity to said act, be, and the same hereby is, confirmed, and that said act be, and the same is hereby, validated and confirmed.

Washington Territory.
Leases of certain school lands confirmed.

Approved, August 6, 1888.

CHAP. 739.—An act to provide for the issue of patents to certain persons for donation claims under the act approved September twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and fifty, commonly known as the donation law.

August 6, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases where widows, or single women, in good faith, settled upon the public lands in the Territories of Oregon or Washington, claiming donation rights under the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "An act to create the office of surveyor-general of the public lands in Oregon, and to provide for the survey, and to make donations to settlers of the said public lands," approved September twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and fifty, or of the acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, or either of them, and filed the notifications and made the final proof of residence and cultivation required by said acts or either of them before the surveyor-general of the Territory or before the register and receiver of the proper local land-office, and received from such surveyor-general or from the register and receiver of the local land-office certificates in due form for such donation claim, and they, or their heirs or assigns, have since occupied and improved such claims, and there are no adverse claims thereto, and in all cases where, upon proof satisfactory to such surveyor-general or register and receiver, as the case may be, donation claims under the provisions of said acts, or either of them, were set off to orphans by the surveyor-general of the Territory or the register and receiver of the proper local land-office, and certificates were issued for such claims, and the claimants, their heirs or assigns, have since occupied and improved such claims, and there are no adverse claims thereto, the title of such donation claimants, their heirs or assigns, to such claims, is hereby confirmed, and patents shall be issued for such claims in conformity with such certificates.

Public lands.
Title of certain donation claims in Washington and Oregon ratified.
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Patents to issue.

Approved, August 6, 1888.

CHAP. 740.—An act for the erection of a public building in the city of Chicago, Illinois, to be used as an appraiser's warehouse, and other public purposes.

August 6, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of erecting a public building upon the lot of ground, owned by the United States of America, on the corner of Harrison and Sherman Streets in the city of Chicago, Illinois, said building to be used as an Appraiser's Warehouse, and for other government purposes. Said building shall be constructed upon plans and specifications to be furnished by the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department, and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, and the said building shall be protected from danger by fire, by having an open space on every side

Chicago, Ill.
Public building.
Appropriation for appraiser's warehouse, etc.

Plans, etc.