

maintain the remaining portion of said custom-house lot as a public park: *Provided*, That the United States reserves to itself the fee and the right forever to resume possession and occupy any portion of said lands whenever in the judgment of the President the exigency arises that should require the use and appropriation of the same for the public defense or otherwise, or for such other disposition as Congress may determine, without any claim for compensation to said city for improvements thereon or damages on account thereof.

Proviso.
Fee reserved.

Approved, February 11, 1890.

CHAP. 10.—An act to provide an American register for the schooner barge Mexico, of Pensacola, Florida.

February 13, 1890.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built bark Marcello, owned at the port of Pensacola, Florida, by the Export Coal Company, an organization incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida, and rebuilt by it in the United States, to be registered as a vessel of the United States under the name of the schooner barge Mexico.

"Mexico."
American register granted to foreign-built bark "Marcello" and name changed to.

Approved, February 13, 1890.

CHAP. 11.—An act to provide an American register for the steamer Bernard, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

February 13, 1890.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built steamer Bernard, owned and rebuilt at the port of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, by the Baltimore Fruit Company, an organization composed of American citizens, incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland, to be registered as a vessel of the United States.

"Bernard."
American register granted to foreign-built steamer.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to authorize and direct the inspection of said steam-vessel, steam-boiler, steam-pipes, and the appurtenances of said boiler, and cause to be granted the proper and usual certificate issued to steam-vessels of the merchant marine, without reference to the fact that said steam-boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances were not constructed pursuant to the laws of the United States, and were not constructed of iron stamped pursuant to said laws; and the tests to be applied on the inspection of said boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances will be the same in all respects as to strength and safety as are required in the inspection of boilers constructed in the United States for marine purposes, save that the fact that said boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances, not being constructed pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the United States, and are of unstamped iron, shall not be an obstacle to the granting of the usual certificate if said boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances are found to be of sufficient strength and safety.

Inspection, etc.

Approved, February 13, 1890.