

Compensation of
commissioners.

Proviso.

Treasury member.

No expenditure until
valid title, etc., pass.

The compensation of said commissioners shall be fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury, but the same shall not exceed six dollars per day and actual traveling expenses: *Provided, however,* That the member of said commission appointed from the Treasury Department shall be paid only his actual traveling expenses.

No money shall be used for the purpose mentioned until a valid title to the site for said building shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Massachusetts shall have ceded to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and the service of civil process therein

Open space.

The building shall be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet on each side, including streets and alleys.

Approved, January 21, 1891.

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CHAP. 87.—An act to provide for enlarging the proposed public building at Savannah, Georgia; the purchase of another site, if practicable, and for the sale of the present site.

Savannah, Ga.
Public building, site,
etc.
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ed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an act of Congress approved June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-six, authorizing the erection of a public building for the use and accommodation of the United States circuit and district courts and post-office, and other Government uses, in the city of Savannah and State of Georgia, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to increase the limit of cost of site and building, including fire-proof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches complete, from two hundred thousand dollars to four hundred thousand dollars, in order to provide for the enlargement of the building contemplated by present plans, and if found practicable the purchase of another site, and the sale of the site situated about one hundred and seventy-two feet on York street and ninety feet on Abercorn street, in said city.

Limit of cost in-
creased.

Building.

Site.

New site.

Proposals to be ad-
vertised for.

SEC. 2. That should it be deemed practicable to select another site for said building it shall be purchased, acquired by condemnation, or otherwise provided, upon the following conditions: Proposals for the sale of land suitable for said site shall be invited by public advertisement in one or more of the newspapers of said city for at least fourteen days prior to the date specified in the advertisements for opening the proposals. The proposals made in response to said public advertisements at the time named in the advertisements, or within ten days subsequent thereto, shall be received, opened, and considered by a commission of three persons, who shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and it shall be the duty of said commission to forward to the Secretary of the Treasury, within forty days from the date named in the advertisements for opening the proposals, a written report with the original proposals, maps, and so forth, and the oaths prescribed by act of Congress approved June twenty-third, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and to definitely state in said report the site selected by them, and their selection of the site shall be final; and each commissioner shall be allowed a compensation for his services of an amount within the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury, said compensation not to exceed two hundred dollars, and actual traveling expenses, to each commissioner. The building shall be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least thirty-six feet on each side including streets and alleys.

Responses.

Appointment of com-
mission.

Report.

Final selection.
Compensation of
commissioners.

Open space.

Sale, etc., of present
site.

SEC. 3. That should another site be selected under the provisions herein contained the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby,

authorized and directed to sell, either at private or public sale the land owned by the United States known as a site for the United States court-house and post-office, situated about one hundred and seventy-two feet on York and ninety feet on Abercorn streets, in the city and State aforesaid, and to make a quit-claim deed to the purchaser thereof.

SEC. 4. That should it not be deemed practical, on account of cost or otherwise, to select another site for said building, the building on the present site shall proceed upon a plan enlarged to the limit of four hundred thousand dollars, including the incidental and necessary expenses thereof.

SEC. 5. That the appropriations heretofore made, shall be available for the purposes of this act.

Approved, January 21, 1891.

Enlargement of present building.
Limit of cost increased.
Appropriations made available.

CHAP. 91.—An act to provide for the construction of a public building at Portland, Oregon.

January 24, 1891.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fire-proof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the custom-house, and other Government offices, in the city of Portland and State of Oregon, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, complete, not to exceed the sum of five hundred thousand dollars.

Portland, Oreg.
Public building, etc.
Site.
Building.
Cost.

Proposals for the sale of land suitable for said site shall be invited by public advertisement in one or more of the newspapers of said city of largest circulation for at least twenty days prior to the date specified in said advertisement for the opening of said proposals.

Proposals to be advertised for.

Proposals made in response to said advertisement shall be addressed and mailed to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall then cause the said proposed sites, and such others as he may think proper to designate, to be examined in person by an agent of the Treasury Department, who shall make written report to said Secretary of the results of said examination, and of his recommendation thereon, and the reasons therefor, which shall be accompanied by the original proposals and all maps, plats, and statements which shall have come into his possession relating to said proposed sites.

Responses.

Examination, etc., by Treasury agent.

If, upon consideration of said report and accompanying papers, the Secretary of the Treasury shall deem further investigation necessary, he may appoint a commission of not more than three persons, one of whom shall be an officer of the Treasury Department, which commission shall also examine the said proposed sites, and such others as the Secretary of the Treasury may designate, and grant such hearings in relation thereto as they shall deem necessary; and said commission shall, within thirty days after such examination, make to the Secretary of the Treasury written report of their conclusion in the premises, accompanied by all statements, maps, plats, or documents taken by or submitted to them, in like manner as hereinbefore provided in regard to the proceedings of said agent of the Treasury Department; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall thereupon finally determine the location of the building to be erected.

Appointment of commission.

Examination.

Hearings.

Report.

Determination of location.

The compensation of said commissioners shall be fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury, but the same shall not exceed six dollars per day and actual traveling expenses: *Provided, however,* That the

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