

Completion.

SEC. 5. That the rights herein granted shall be forfeited by said company unless the road shall be constructed through the said reservation and allotted lands within three years after the passage of this Act.

Railroad rights on public lands.

SEC. 6. That nothing herein contained shall restrict or impair the rights which said company may now have or hereafter acquire to the benefits and provisions of the Act of Congress approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, entitled "An Act granting to railroads the right of way through the public lands of the United States."

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**CHAP. 220.**—An Act To provide for an appropriate National celebration of the establishment of the seat of Government in the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia.  
Celebration of establishment of seat of Government in.  
Committees to prepare plans.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* The President is authorized to appoint a committee from the country at large, of such number as he shall think proper, to act with any committees that may be appointed by the two Houses of Congress, or either of them, and with any committee that may be appointed from the citizens of the District of Columbia, who may prepare plans for an appropriate National celebration, in the year nineteen hundred, of the first session of Congress in the District and the establishment of the seat of Government therein. Said committee shall report their proceedings to the President, to be by him communicated to Congress.

Expenses.

SEC. 2. The actual expenses of the members of said committee so appointed by the President shall be paid by the Secretary of the Treasury on vouchers to be approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Appropriation.

SEC. 3. The sum of ten thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to carry into effect the second section of this Act.

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**CHAP. 221.**—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to rent or lease certain portions of forest reserve.

Forest reserves.  
Authority conferred to lease grounds in, for hotels, etc.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Interior be, and hereby is, authorized, under such rules and regulations as he from time to time may make, to rent or lease to responsible persons or corporations applying therefor suitable spaces and portions of ground near, or adjacent to, mineral, medicinal, or other springs, within any forest reserves established within the United States, or hereafter to be established, and where the public is accustomed or desires to frequent, for health or pleasure, for the purpose of erecting upon such leased ground sanitariums or hotels, to be opened for the reception of the public. And he is further authorized to make such regulations, for the convenience of people visiting such springs, with reference to spaces and locations, for the erection of tents or temporary dwelling houses to be erected or constructed for the use of those visiting such springs for health or pleasure. And the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to prescribe the terms and duration and the compensation to be paid for the privileges granted under the provisions of this Act.

Regulations.

Funds to be used for care of forest reserves.

SEC. 2. That all funds arising from the privileges granted hereunder shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States as a special fund, to be expended in the care of public forest reservations.

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